

OUR TOWN

Commercial Club directors in sufficient number for a quorum did not attend the regular Monday night meeting of the club. What seemed at first to be a manifestation of interest at the beginning of the semi-annual period has fallen short of that condition and indications are that another semi-annual meeting will be necessary soon. So evident has become the lack of interest on the part of some elected directors that comment has been made and the expression of other officials tell of an earnest desire that all directors realize their obligation to the community and attend these meetings.

The club must have a definite program. The club could easily find a situation where it could help in a big way if it could launch a campaign of co-operation with the farmers in promoting diversified farming—sensible planting of a mixture of crops to defeat the demoralizing effects of over-supply in cotton. The club has shown some interest in an agricultural program by devoting time to the study of the grape industry; also it has undertaken a worthy service in offering its good offices to secure a re-stock of hogs for the farm.

The Commercial Club is not to be thought of as a convenience to any, to be put aside or to be patronized for appearance sake. It is a vital necessity in the civic and industrial life of any community. Its offices are serious charges against the time and talent of the business men who direct the affairs of the community and unless considered in the affirmative no worthwhile progress can be made. There is no room for negative attitudes or half hearted service.

We are pleased by the action of the club in voting its services to promote the pecan industry. To such tasks as this the club may well devote itself with the assurance of a verdict of appraisal of its services to become a heritage for others who shall take up the work when those now engaged shall have passed from the picture.

Eight more days and 1926 will be history. The record of the year is almost written. How we have wrought may be found from the records. To some the year has brought prosperity and to others it has brought only a small portion of those material blessings that men seek in the few minutes of play left before the coach fires the signal for the end. Reviewing the records of the year one finds much to be thankful for. Let us not be discouraged because of temporary financial losses. There will be better days. The plow shares of time will yet turn fertile ground, the larks will sing again and the spring time will raise up the life that lies slumbering beneath the surface. The sun never sets on a community that meets its difficulties with the fortitude of faith sustained by optimism and projected into its activities by the sheer will of those who know that misfortunes are necessary.

Mrs. Monty Montgomery and Betty Jane Montgomery left Wednesday for their home in Clovis, New Mexico, after a six week's visit with Mrs. Meta McCown and family.

WE ARE GRATEFUL

The Herald has received the following Christmas message from Rev. Geo. Apel, of the Catholic Church in Cameron, and the entire staff very much appreciates the thoughtfulness he displays in our behalf:

"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to the staff of The Herald. May you prosper and grow in the New Year 1927 so that we may have the pleasure to read you every day as a daily paper."

REV. GEO. APEL.

CAMERON SHOPS BLAZE WITH CHRISTMAS GLORY

Business College To Open Here On January 10th

CLUB OFFERS AID IN ORGANIZING PECAN RAISERS

COMMERCIAL TO INVITE PECAN GROWERS HERE

WILL ASSIST IN ORGANIZING ASSOCIATION OF PECAN OWNERS

The Cameron Commercial Club will invite pecan tree owners of Milam County to meet with the club at some time in the future to determine by the pecan men and will assist in the organization of an association. The secretary has been instructed to get in touch with the pecan tree owners and ascertain their attitude more fully and then it will determine what its course will be. A number of pecan tree owners have expressed the belief that a pecan association would promote a needed industry in the county. If the pecan tree owners are willing to organize the club will assist in every way possible.

The action was taken at the Monday night meeting and pecan tree owners will receive a communication from the secretary in the near future and the co-operation of all is asked that this important industry be given every possible consideration.

F. S. LESOVSKY SERVES CLUB WITH VENISON

VENISON SUPPER ATTENDED BY CLUB MEN AT NEW-PORT CAFE

F. S. Lesovsky returning from Pearsall in Frio County last Thursday brought back his annual big buck deer and on Monday night served the annual supper venison to members of the commercial club.

The supper was held in the Newport Cafe and the supper was prepared under the supervision of A. E. Smith, proprietor. The supper was attended by the following: Paul Webb, F. E. Jackson, J. B. White, Judge Jeff T. Kemp, F. B. Cable, J. W. Coleman, J. D. Dobbins, F. S. Lesovsky, Rev. J. P. Love, John C. Young, Gies L. Avriett, W. T. Whately, E. O. Schiller, W. M. Cobb, A. E. Smith and Sam Hefley.

The big buck was killed in the hunting grounds at Pearsall and Mr. Schiller accompanied Mr. Lesovsky. On his return here last Thursday Mr. Lesovsky gave a number of friends some of the venison including the newspaper fraternity.

During the course of the supper Mr. Lesovsky who presided at the board told some interesting as well as witty circumstances about the hunt in which Mr. Whately on a previous occasion was routed from a tree where he had climbed to kill a deer, being attracted by the noise of a car which later proved to be Mr. Schiller hunting for him. Mr. Whately thought it was a game warden. On approaching the camp he again heard the car and took to the woods, according to Mr. Lesovsky.

Paul Webb responded for the club and in reply Lesovsky presented him with a trophy. He also gave Mr. Whately a trophy. Sam Hefley, E. A. Smith, Judge Kemp, J. W. Coleman, F. E. Jackson and Rev. Love also made appropriate talks.

Mr. Lesovsky following a talk by Mr. Coleman urging attendance at the Commercial Club presented the grape industry. Others made comments on this proposed venture and a general good interest was enlisted.

While the supper was in progress Mr. Lesovsky had a phone call offering a good hunting ground and he has promised next year to have another venison supper.

The deer killed was an 8 point buck and very fat. The meat was excellent and wonderfully served.

1000 POUNDS PECANS TAKEN FROM ONE TREE ON T. S. HENDERSON FARM IN LEE COUNTY NEAR HERE

A pecan tree on the farm of T. S. Henderson in Lee County this year produced a crop of pecans weighing 1,000 pounds. Tenants on the place have just notified Mr. Henderson of the yield on this tree.

The tree is a native pecan and covers about one-eighth of an acre in the spread of its branches.

This is a very unusual yield of pecans from a single tree. The nuts are fine and based on the current price of 15c per pound will yield \$150.

This tree has produced more revenue than the rent on the land will net to the owner or approximately that proportion.

This is another evidence of the value of pecans and Mr. Henderson is interested in the promotion of the industry and is encouraging the organization of pecan raisers association.

Mr. Henderson has many acres devoted to pecans on his lands in Milam and adjoining counties.

NO CLUE TO ROBBERS WHO ATTACKED BANK

MILANO BANK IS ENTERED BY BANDITS BUT NO MONEY IS TAKEN

Up to noon Wednesday no tangible clue had been found that would lead to an arrest of parties who attempted to rob the Milano State Bank.

Rockdale, Dec. 16—Burglars entered the garage of the Rockdale Motor Car Company here last night and stole an acetylene gas torch outfit and a Hudson coach, then drove to Milano where they attempted to blow the vault of the Milano State Bank, entrance to the bank was effected by picking the front door lock, the tank of the acetylene torch happened to be empty rendering the apparatus useless to the yeggs who abandoned the torch and all tools on the floor of the bank and left in the stolen car for Cameron. Two miles from Milano the car ran out of gasoline and was abandoned. No arrests have been made but the officers are looking for a stranger who was in the plant of the Rockdale Motor Car Company yesterday looking at the acetylene torch and inquiring as to how it was operated.

LIONS ERECT BIG TREE FOR CHEER TO KIDDIES

BIG TREE IN BLOCK AT COURT HOUSE DRESSED FOR OCCASION

Cameron Lions will be host to Santa Claus on Friday night, December 24 with a big Christmas tree erected on the street north of the court house lawn.

The tree will be loaded with presents for the members of the club and for the children of the city.

Santa Claus will be present for the opening of the event. The tree, a massive cedar was erected Tuesday afternoon and will remain on the street through Christmas.

Texas Power and Light Company is decorating the tree and the scene will be one of the most cheerful and spectacular ever seen in the city.

The Lions are carrying out a big program of work this Christmas in bringing cheer to the poor children of the city and all who will attend the Christmas tree festivities.

The program will feature music by the Cameron Junior Band and mass singing by the entire congregation. Christmas carols will be sung led by the choir leaders of the churches.

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T. W. AYCOCK, 70, DEAD FROM HEART ATTACK

HUNDREDS MOURN LOSS OF PIONEER RESIDENT OF MILAM COUNTY

Terral W. Aycock, 70, native Texan and a pioneer resident of Camron and Milam County, died suddenly Tuesday morning, December 21, 1926 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. M. Belk in Dallas.

The body of the pioneer was sent back to Cameron Wednesday morning and to the family residence. Death came to him through heart failure but he had been in declining health for several years. He had gone to Dallas to visit with his daughter through the Christmas holidays where his children had planned to spend the holidays with him.

The death of Mr. Aycock when learned here early Tuesday morning caused widespread sorrow among his friends and acquaintances and of the esteemed family.

The body received here early Wednesday morning by the Green Bros. undertaking parlors was taken to the home where many gathered to pay their last tribute and to offer their sympathy to the family in the hour of great loss.

Terral W. Aycock was born in Burleson county, February 26, 1856 and was reared the son of pioneers chiefly in Milam County. He died at 2 a. m. Tuesday, December 21, 1926.

He was a son of Bryant F. and Sarah Winston Aycock, pioneers in Burleson county. The father was one of the early district clerks in Burleson county. He died in the confederate army, having enlisted in 1861 from Texas.

Terral W. Aycock was educated in the University at Georgetown and in his life time acquired a wide knowledge of men and affairs, keenly conversant with the progress of his country and affairs of his county and state.

He was married to Miss Ann Rogers in 1881 and they resided in Milam County near Midway, moving to Cameron a few years ago. To them were born six children, Mrs. Ida Drew, Mrs. Blanche Jacobs, Mrs. E. M. Belk all of Dallas; Grover Aycock, deceased; Mrs. Emma Barron of Nevada, Missouri; Miss Maggie Lou Aycock of Corpus Christi. In addition to these he is survived by two grand children Reba Drew and Ann Jacobs.

The funeral services were held at the residence with burial in the Winston Wednesday afternoon at the family

HUNDREDS IN SHOPPING DISTRICT FOR GIFTS

BUYING IS BRISK AND SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS BRINGS HAPPINESS

Hundreds of shoppers are crowding Cameron stores today for the annual buying of gifts.

Everywhere merchants report brisk business and the year promises to be the best in a number for the volume of business done at Christmas time.

Christmas spirit prevails everywhere. Churches are preparing for special services and the Lion's Club has erected the big community Christmas tree and built around these events are the contributing events of a wide spread Christmas celebration.

College students are on the streets greeting friends and a number of social events are scheduled for the week, among them the notable silver tea to be given at the country club Wednesday night when the Blue Bird Choral Club under the direction of Miss Eloise Rogers will sing and present a three course program, ending at 11 p. m.

At no time have Cameron shops been so thoroughly filled with the Christmas spirit. Gifts in selections ranging in kind to please the buyers can be found in the display rooms of the merchants.

Decline in the price of cotton has affected business to some extent but when it is recalled that the crop has sold for over millions the people have been able to clear up a good portion of indebtedness and have some surplus for Christmas cheer.

PROGRAM FEATURES THE RE-OPENING OF PALACE

WALTER F. SHARPE GREET'S FRIENDS AND EXTENDS HIS THANKS

The re-opening here last week of the Palace of Sweets was featured with a program of music and song.

Mr. Sharpe in re-opening the place has made improvements and on the occasion was greeted by hundreds of friends who came to wish him success and to congratulate him on resuming business following the fire.

This Palace was destroyed by fire on the 24th of November, and has been made over and is more beautiful than ever. Previous invitations, through the press had been given out and a large crowd gathered at the appointed hour. The Palace was handsomely decorated.

Guests were greeted at the front by pretty red carnations and other souvenirs to the many who called.

Mrs. W. H. Stafford, who handed out Guy Draper's famous orchestra of Waco furnished delightful music for the occasion.

Miss Eloise Rogers gave two beautiful voice solos in her delightful manner. Miss Rogers possesses a highly cultured voice and always gladdens her hearers.

Delicious fruit punch was served in abundance.

Mr. Sharpe has added a new feature to his stock, that of the United Cigar Store Company of America. Many bargains are offered in connection with this new line of goods.

cemetery on the banks of Little River at the old home place of the family. Rev. H. G. Kenney of the Presbyterian church assisted by L. J. Power, Methodist pastor, conducted the service and the funeral was directed by Green Bros.

The family arrived Wednesday morning from Dallas.

A full account of the life of Mr. Aycock will appear in our next issue.

In the Spirit of Christmas

Christmas Day brings us the consciousness that whatever our personal animosities may be, whatever the strife between nations—merely neighborhood quarrels greatly magnified—there is this sublime occasion devoted to peace and good will. Its spirit is the lamp which lights to higher life; its influence largely supports civilization and prevents a lapse into barbarity.

Christmas spirit means Christian spirit. In testing its effect, one has only to reflect upon the positions of races, the most advanced being those of Christendom. China, the oldest entity among peoples, has an admirable occasion upon which the citizens strive to liquidate all their debts. It is a national pay-up day, and in spirit somewhat resembles our Christmas. In Japan they have an annual event somewhat like our New Year's celebration, during which the people go about expressing good will and promoting good cheer. But Christmas has a more elevating effect than either, in that it not only typifies peace and good will, but carries the essence of unselfishness and pure love, the most common expression being the bestowal of gifts. When the Christmas influence gains to the point that its spirit shall permeate the affairs of every day in the year, the millennium will have arrived.

We have this day, and if we may not its ideal its leaven will produce other days of the kind. In the making of a newspaper we have an opportunity to view the many forces operating upon the character of humanity. We see the good and bad, the sincere and insincere, the selfish and unselfish. We believe the leaven of good is more active than that of the opposed forces. If we have been able to assist the right, much has been due to your co-operation and we earnestly solicit a continuation of the same. Our Christmas greeting to you is one of optimism, good cheer and hearty good wishes.

THE PUBLISHERS.

The Table Sweeper Is a Suitable Present

The crumbing of a table has always seemed to me a rather awkward procedure. Even after the old-fashioned brush and tray disappeared, in favor of a smooth metal scraper that carried the crumbs briskly before it, it always seemed bothersome to me to have to make room at the edge of the table for the maid to hold her crumb tray, in order to gather the crumbs into it.

And now a better way has been found to clear a table quickly and quietly of the crumbs that have gathered there, without the use of any tray at all, or of elbowing one's guests sideways while the crumbing goes on.

This new device is a miniature carpet sweeper, which works in exactly the same way on the floor. It rolls along on little rubber-tired wheels and silently gathers up every crumb into its small metal interior. There isn't any need for the cumbersome tray or the scraper, with perhaps some of the crumbs going onto the floor or into handy laps. Every crumb vanishes as the little sweeper passes over it.

These pretty little crumbers are finished in bright or dull nickel plate, in bright or dull copper, in plated silver, or in ivory enamel. Some of them are plain, others are etched in simple designs, and there is one in ivory enamel that is etched in blue. All have hinged covers and removable brushes, and are easily and quickly emptied.

Because of their novelty and their attractive appearance and usefulness, these crumb-sweepers seem to me admirable Christmas gift material.—Margaret Bruce.

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O, LITTLE CHILD OF BETHLEHEM

By Katherine Edelman

O, LITTLE child of Bethlehem!
Come to the earth today,
Come to a weary, care-filled world
This blessed Christmas Day.

Fill every heart with new-born hope,
Fill every home with cheer,
Bring peace to troubled, burdened souls,
Bring brotherhood more near.

Seek out the weary, worn ones,
The grieved, the hurt, the weak,
And in Thy tender pity bend
A loving word to speak.

Bless those who walked Thy loved ways,
And pity those who strayed,
Bring them within Thy mercy now,
And make them unafraid.

Blot out the hurts and hates and fears
That rent and severed men,
Let understanding's blessed light
Unite their hearts again.

Encircle all the earth with love,
Let holy peace abide,
That all may know in measure full
A happy Christmastide.

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No Objections as Yet

Tightwad (near Christmas)—Why do you treat me so coolly? Do you object to my presence?

She—Why, really, I shall be better able to tell you after I've received them, you know.

Old Songs of Yule

by Frances Marshall Morgan



CHRISTMAS EVE draws near in every civilized land there is the customary revival of interest in the beloved old songs and carols that for hundreds of years have

gladdened the hearts of men. Back into the mists of the ages must we delve in our search for records of the first Christmas carol. We find that the pagans had chants that they sang at the season of the year when days were shortest. There is the song of Isalah, beginning, "Sing, Oh Heaven, Be Joyful, Oh Earth!" And there is the song of Micah, dating seven centuries before Christ's birth. Tradition says that the oldest of all Christian hymns was sung by the angels above the fields of Bethlehem and later by the barbarian martyrs in the arena at Rome.

Today the singing of Christmas carols is almost a universal custom.

There is scarce a community boasting a little red school house, or church, where will not gather, on Christmas Eve, the farmers with rosy-cheeked families to lustily join in the biggest event of the whole year, the Christmas community "sing." Church choirs in the villages and cities, as usual, will render their special Christmas programs. Yet, is there one among us who does not best love the custom of singing the old songs beneath the candle-lit window, for "sweet charity's sake"?

With the thought of the little bands of singers soon to start on their pilgrimages, from door to door, giving of their talents to the poor, there comes to mind the old English custom still observed in rural communities, although the cities know it no more. These little bands of carolers, called wails, sang the identical songs that every Englishman loves today, although they were first heard centuries ago. It is one of the picturesque English customs that have survived through the ages.

The radio's discovery brought with it an immense revival of interest in the Christmas carol. Thousands upon thousands of folk who will sit at their fire-sides on Christmas Eve eager to "listen in" are becoming familiar with the ancient carols and Christmas songs in a way that could not be possible before its advent. Last year the broadcasting of Christmas songs by world famous artists was one of the most delightful events connected with the pleasures of the season. The old carols were the features of the programs. This year, as last, the most beautiful Christmas song will probably be "Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem," Phillips Brooks' masterpiece, the most popular of all the many and lovely numbers sent over the air. This song is probably the best loved modern composition, dealing with the birth of Christ, "When Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," is the oldest carol written in our language. It is the work of Nahum Tate, poet laureate of England in 1692.

France, Italy, Wales and Ireland, it is said, are among the countries that cling closest to the custom of carol singing. France calls her Christmas songs "noels," from "natilis" which signified, originally a cry of joy at Christmas.

Many of the famous old Christmas songs are cheerful, heartwarming and suggestive of the good times of the season. However, the most beautiful and best loved are the carols that breathe a spirit of reverence and tell in simple words the story of the manger and God's gift to the whole world.

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HIS SCHEME.

I. M. P. Cunius: Making any preparations for Christmas?
Frank Norocks: Yep, I'm looking for a hiding place now.

Christmas Legend

In many countries of the world there still exists a belief that those born on Christmas day have the power of healing by the "laying on of hands," and also possess second sight

Christmas Tie

Wife gave him a surprise.
A tie made for his sake,
'Twas very like the ties
That mother used to make.
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Large Christmas Trees

The white pines are best for community and church Christmas trees as their size is more adapted to larger spaces. The spruce is one of the most common of Christmas trees.

Guard Against Fire

Careful citizens keep a pallful of water handy under the highly inflammable Christmas tree.



He—I'm going to give you a Christmas present this year that no money can buy.
She—I prefer one that some money can buy.

Name "Santa Claus,"

Where It Came From

"Santa Claus" is a corruption which originated apparently in Flanders or possibly among the Dutch, of the name of St. Nicholas, a saint noted for his love of children and his boundless charity. His "day" was perhaps December 8, originally, but since the displacement of Old Father Christmas, the British representation of the Christmas spirit, he is celebrated almost universally as the Christmas Saint.

That Christmas Night

Like small curled feathers, white and soft,
The little clouds went by,
Across the moon and past the stars,
And down the western sky:
In upland pastures where the grass
With frosted dew was white,
Like snowy clouds the young sheep lay,
That first, best Christmas night.
—Margaret Deland.

With Grateful Appreciation

Your patronage and friendship during the year has been a source of pride to us and we are grateful for the many considerations shown us.

We appreciate your good will and your friendship which are assets no money can purchase.

May the Christmas Season bring Joy and Happiness and the New Year Prosperity.

Jackson Pharmacy No. 2
Pace - Marshall Drug Co.

"TWO GOOD STORES"

Holiday Greetings

At this holiday season we welcome the opportunity of extending to you our friends our warmest regards and cordial wishes, you whose courtesy, co-operation and loyalty has made possible our progress. We wish for ourselves the pleasure of serving you in the future and for you and yours we wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with a wealth of blessing and prosperity.

Jim Neinast

PHONE 264, 265

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Texas Red Rust Proof Oats, Sack lots, per bushel 48c

Shelled Corn, 2 bushel sack \$1.85

Corn Chops, per sack \$1.85

We have a complete stock of poultry feed, laying mash, scratch feed, meat scraps, oyster shell. Everything ready mixed or ingredients to mix your own feed.

Green Produce Co.

Cameron, Texas

Is Cameron The Friendly City?

If Cameron is as friendly a city as is advertised on the road signs stuck up on the public roads that lead into our City, and as, also boasted of by several of the commercial and social organizations maintained in our town, why is it that our town's people are doing so much buying of goods in various commodities away from home.

If your merchants, Insurance agents, printers and other enterprises have not what you need when you call for any special article, why don't you give them an order for the desired articles and see how quick they will supply your needs.

MORAL—Make Cameron a sure enough friendly City "Help feed those who help feed you" by doing your trading or buying of your commodities at HOME.

S. P. CROSS

INSURANCE, FARM LOANS & SECURITY BONDS

Office over First Nat. Bank

Cameron, Texas.



COURT HOUSE NEWS

AUTOMOBILE LICENSES

C. W. Smith, Ford Touring, Rockdale.
Guy Cook Chevrolet Touring, Rockdale.
Mrs. H. D. Broadnax, Ford Touring, Rockdale.
Frank Absneider, Ford Touring, Cameron.
W. S. Lampkin, Ford Coupe, Cameron.
Geo. T. Graves, Ford Sedan, Cameron.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Elmo Rodenbeck and Martha Kerlin.
Wainwright Chavalier and Pauline Todd.
Frank L. Buchanan and Gladys Mahan.
Johnie Jourman and Annie Kurly.
Earle Kater and Ples Anna McCullough.
Albert Mayberry and Mary Anderson.
Floyd Hinsley and Era Bell.
Cecil A. Rollins and Bertha Schulz.

DEED RECORDS

A. N. Green et ux to H. L. Green, 1 acre out of D. Monroe grant in the Martha Rogers Addition to city of Cameron, \$1.
George B. Caldwell et ux to Sam Eller, 133 acres out of F. Rodriques grant, \$1551.
A. N. Green et ux to J. C. Green 182 1-2 acres out of F. A. De Los Rios grant, \$18,200.
Rev. Joe Williams et ux to Sidney Williams et ux, lot No. 22 in city of Rockdale, \$1.
Sidney Williams et ux to J. P. Sparks, 160 x 160 feet in the city of Rockdale, \$30.
Lewis Caywood to A. L. Caywood 10 1-4 acres of land out of T. J. Chambers grant, \$225.
Sam W. Martin to T. B. Stidham, 160 acres out of Niles F. Smith survey, \$2,500.
Ed Kolba to V. A. Kubecka, lots 3

and 4 in block 23, part of lots No. 1, 2 and 3 in block 24 in town of Buckholts \$1380.

John B. Atkinson to Lilian Atkinson lot No. 2 in block No. 6 in Gartner's addition to town of Cameron, \$1.

OIL AND GAS LEASES

Fannie Chandler et vir to J. G. Pamplin, 18 acres out of D. A. Thompson survey, \$270.

V. M. Mitchell to S. M. Messer et al 39 1-2 acres out of D. Mumford league, \$1.

John Talley et ux to Sam Hefley et al, 2 acres out of D. A. Thompson survey, \$10.

Mrs. N. C. Shelton et al to J. G. Pamplin 100 acres out of Wm. Allen grant, \$2500.

UNFATHOMABLE

WHO can measure the spirit of Christmas—who define it? Born twenty centuries ago beneath the stars, it is neither jollity, contentment, nor conviviality. It is, in part, the sensing of universal brotherhood—the stimulating of good-will to men the world over.

The spirit of Christmas came on the beams of Bethlehem's star, with the accompaniment of the angels' song. While man lives that spirit cannot die.

It should inspire heartier co-operation with every effort of our fellows to achieve; it should be the spark awakening within us that which no creed can define; enabling us to hear the sweet voice of the Babe in the Manger, the firm voice of humble men, and the heartening voice of the Man who, upon the Mount, gave to life its beatitudes. . . . Let us catch the spirit of Christmas.—W. D. Pennypacker.
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CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

ONCE again the glad time of the year is with us. Children who have been looking forward to Christmas week after week are filled with the pleasure of anticipation. Will they be disappointed?

Christmas celebrates the coming of a Child into the world, therefore it is essentially a children's holiday.

Of course, the boys and girls around our hearth need consideration, for they must be made happy, but how about the little lads and lasses without fathers and mothers, or whose parents are in poverty? Are they to write in vain to "Dear Santa Claus"? Hundreds of these pitiful letters, scrawled by hopeful chubby fists, are left unclaimed at the post office every year.

Mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles and cousins, our home is no longer the house in which we live, plus the yard or farm surrounding it. The entire neighborhood, town, city, county, state and nation is ours; its inhabitants live in our home. It is our duty, so far as we can, to make every child happy at Christmas. Instead of permitting ourselves to get buried selfishly in tissue paper and gay ribbons.

Let's make this holiday season one in which the Christmas spirit, the peace on earth and good will to all men, prevails everywhere. Especially where there are children. So a Merry Christmas to you.—Frank Herbert Sweet.
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What's the Answer?

Wife—Remember that old millionaire wanted to marry me?
Hubby—Yes.

"And how easily you got me away from him?"

"Bet your life I do, ha! ha!"

"Well, he married that Flossie Flapper you used to like pretty well and has just bought her a set of sables for Christmas."

Hard to Figure Out

It is hard to figure out why it is that Santa Claus was not created in the form of a woman.

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Pecans Offset Low Price of Cotton, Good Price Paid

Temple, Dec. 18.—Pecans are offsetting the low price of cotton for the people of Bell County, D. B. Porter, produce dealer in Belton, stated following the fourth shipment of the nuts Friday afternoon. The four carloads weighed 120,000 pounds, with a purchasing price from the growers of be-

tween 9 and 10 cents per pound. The cars were assigned to Austin, Waco and Chicago.

BASTROP.—To date 18 carloads of pecans have been shipped out of Bastrop to different parts of the country, which have netted the farmers of this vicinity approximately \$50,000. As the pecans produced around Bastrop are of the famous Colorado River Valley paper shell variety, the highest prices always are available for the nuts. The crop was one of the largest produced in years.

So far there has been about \$2,500 distributed among the farmers of this section through the turkey industry, and as the crop this year was of an average yield and with prices unusually high, the marketing of turkeys has proven to be a profitable side line to the farmers.

Only Two More Days Till Christmas



This store with its appropriate stock is the headquarters for gifts and you should not overlook the varied selection you will find here to give father or son or man friend the thing that will please him most.

Hundreds of items here. Ties, Collars, Hose, Caps, Sweaters. In fact too many to mention. Our shirts, hats and belts can not be excelled for gift items.

BONDS E. LAIRD

Men's Wear

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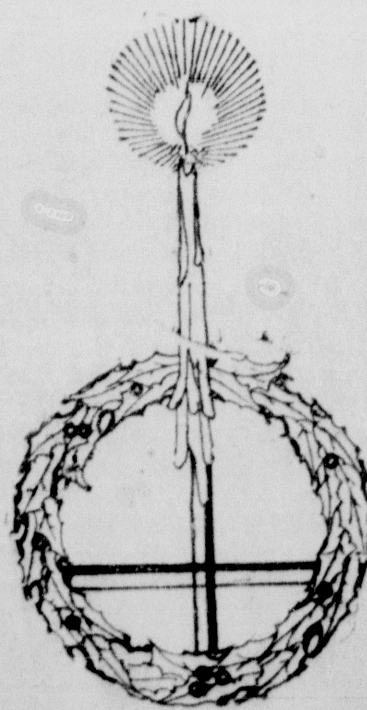
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HOLIDAY SEASON

The many features associated with the holiday season is at hand, and there is apparent the usual bustling activity as the anniversary of the Nazarene's natal day approaches.

The good old saint, whose jolly little rotund figure has been firmly wedged in more than one narrow chimney, is preparing to leave his workshop in the frozen North, and has already started packing his generous bag with gayly colored toys, mechanical devices, bright ornaments and whatnot.

In connection with this august event a decided change is being manifested in the deportment of many little boys and girls. A beatific influence appears to be transforming them from erstwhile incorrigibles to near perfection, and not a few critical childish glances have been directed at the dimensions of the fire place. Mothers and fathers are preparing reports of juvenile conduct for the files of St. Nicholas, who, however very kindly disposed toward youth, is nevertheless regarded as a yuletide.

Christmastide has associated with it a peculiar reverential atmosphere. To the Christian it again brings with poignant sweetness the oft-told story of the manger where the Christ-Child received the adoration of the Wise Men who were led thither by the bright star. Thus Jesus, who has been designated "The Man of Sorrows," made His humble appearance in a world that sorely needed His gentle ministrations. Even though many do not concede the Nazarene to be the "Son of God," His life may be studied and emulated with profit.

At this happy season there is much good work being accomplished among the unfortunates. Those who are in poverty will be provided for; orphans will be well supplied with the things that make the child's heart happy; hospital wards will resound with laughter at the antics of those kindly members of the theatrical profession who give much of their time and effort for the benefit of shut-ins; and the hitherto drab interiors of penal institutions will be beautified by the gigantic pine or spruce tree all aglitter and gleaming with myriad vari-colored lights. Thus by gladdening the heart of the orphan child, by giving comfort and assurance to the invalid, by providing for the poor and touching the heart of the prisoner, the Christmas season reflects, to a degree at least, the works of the Way-Shower. His presence is seen in the kind and loving deeds of those who remember the unfortunate and who unselfishly contribute to the happiness of others, especially at this season.

As a fitting reward for this worthy work, a reward that more than compensates the cheerful giver, those significant words of the Master are just as potent now as when uttered and recorded in Holy Writ:

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

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SOCIETY NEWS

MRS. CRISWELL ENTERTAINS
AT BUCKHOLTS

Vague rumors of the approaching marriage of Mr. Cecil Criswell and Miss Ezell had floated around Buckholts and vicinity for some time but rumor became fact when Mrs. Floris Criswell opened her home on December 15th in the honor of the bride to be, inviting the friends of both families to a miscellaneous shower.

The spacious home was beautifully decorated in holiday attire, and to its warmth and beauty each guest was welcomed by the charming and gracious hostess and by Miss Ezell.

Misses Gladys Harris, Maurine Robinson and Cook gave musical selections, and Miss Lois Cummings a piquant toast to the lovely bride-to-be. Mrs. M. G. Cox of Cameron, recited Riley's most popular poem: "An Old Sweet Heart of Mine." There was a rose guessing contest which was most unique and which caused much enjoyment.

Miss Ezell was the recipient of many useful, beautiful and dainty presents and, if loving wishes which accompanied each gift should become realities no place could be found for them in the paths of life leading into the unknown future.

Not least to delight the guests were the dainty refreshments later served. Mrs. M. G. Cox, Miss Cora Brashear and Miss Mary Louise Elliott of Cameron were the out-of-town guests.

The same setting was used in the evening when the groom was honored by the same hostess with a stag party, and none of the assembled friends knew that the marriage had already been quietly performed until after the happy couple had departed upon their bridal tour.

BRIDGE CLUB

On last Monday evening Miss Bernice Terry was the delightful hostess to members of the Monday evening bridge club at the home of her sister Mrs. J. L. Barmore on East Thirteenth Street. Three tables were arranged amid autumn decorations which were in evidence throughout the reception suite. The autumn idea was very cleverly carried out in tallies, score cards and covers.

In conclusion Miss Mary Burnett was given a beautiful boudoir pillow for high score. Consolation fell to Mrs. Bert Miller and she received unique shade pulls.

A salad plate with hot tea was attractively served. Guests on this delightful occasion were: Misses Martha Lou Hooks, Lois and Mary Burnett, Grace Eplen and Mrs. Lee McLane.

The Christmas Cantata, "The New Born King" given at the Methodist church on last Sunday evening by the members of the Methodist choir was generously praised by all who attended. This splendid choir composed of many talented singers, and through careful preparation under the direction of Mrs. C. S. Peyton rendered one of the best programs ever heard in Cameron. Mrs. J. L. Clinton played the accompaniment very beautifully. Following is the program:

Prelude.
Processional, Holy Night—Choir.
Scripture Reading and Prayer by Rev. L. J. Power.
Offertoire, Viennese Refrain.
Christmas Cantata: The New Born King.
The Lord is Come, Mrs. Hoover, Mr. Adrian, Choir.
Harp of Gold, Women's voices.
The Shepherds, Choir, Mr. Adrian.
Eternal King, Mrs. Levy, Mr. Stafford, Choir.
Visions of Glory, Mesdames Peyton and Triggs.
Unto Us A Child Is Born, Choir.
The King is Born, Mack L. Harvey.
Song of the Redeemed, Choir.
Christmas Bells, Choir.
O Blessed Night, Messrs. Freeman, Fisher, Harvey and Stafford.
The Birthday of a King, Mrs. Triggs All Hail, Choir.
God So Loved the World, Choir.
Arise, Shine, Thy Light is Come, Choir.
Benediction, Choir, Rev. L. J. Power.
Postlude.

MEYER-RITCHIE

The marriage of Miss Vivian Ritchie to Mr. John Meyer occurred December 11, 1926 at 7:30 o'clock at the Methodist parsonage at Buckholts with Rev. J. R. Ritchie, father of the bride and pastor of the Methodist church at Buckholts, reading the impressive ceremony.

The bride is the charming daughter of Rev. J. R. Ritchie of Buckholts and her pleasing personality and lov-

able disposition has won for her many friends.

The groom is a popular business man of Buckholts, being connected with a grocery firm there, and has a wide circle of friends in Milam county and throughout the state.

Only members of the family of the contracting parties and a few close friends were present to witness the ceremony.

This happy couple left Sunday for Waco to spend several days before returning to Buckholts to make their home.

The Herald extends congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Meyer.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lutheran Service Sunday, December 26th at 2:30 p. m. at the Episcopal church. Service will be conducted in English language. Rev. W. H. Bewie of Waco, Field Secretary of Lutheran church will conduct the service.

BAPTIST W. M. S.

The Woman's Missionary Society met in circles Monday afternoon in the following homes:

Circle one with Mrs. John Brock with nine members and two visitors present.

Circle two with Mrs. E. Lutner with eight present.

Circle three with Mrs. John Ryan with six present.

Circle four with Mrs. M. G. Cox with ten present.

The next meeting will be Monday January 3, 1927.

HURRAH CHILDREN

Santa will give a treat to all the good children of Cameron between the ages of five to twelve.

Under the auspices of the Professional and Business Women's Club, a free picture show will be given Tuesday afternoon, December 28th from one until five o'clock. The show is going to be very good, "The Call of the Mate," a dog show you will all enjoy.

Remember children, in the ages of five to twelve, Tuesday afternoon from one until five, The Wonderland Theater is open to you.

S. S. CLASS ENTERTAINMENT

Miss Sallie Kate McLane very delightfully entertained her Sunday School class of beginners on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Presbyterian church.

The time passed quickly as these little folks under the direction of their teacher made Christmas gifts for their mothers. At class Sunday morning Miss Sallie Kate had given each one a stocking to be filled with fruit for the shut-ins. These were also packed.

Each little guest present was given a Christmas bag filled with candy.

MRS. GREEN ENTERTAINS

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. C. F. Green was hostess to a beautiful bridge party at her home in the Green Addition, complimenting Miss Harriet Henderson, charming December bride.

The house was effectively decorated in the bridal colors, yellow and lavender, which were in evidence throughout the reception suite, where five tables were arranged for the guests. Yellow and orchid chrysanthemums, in vases, bowls and pedestal baskets were placed at vantage places. The bridal colors were featured in score pads, tallies, and covers.

High score was received by Mrs. Boyd Wells, a telephone doll. Miss Winnie Henderson was presented a kitchen rack for consolation. Both of these gifts were given to the bride. The hostess' gift to the honoree was a novelty basket colonial doll.

Miss Lucille Dickard assisted the hostess in serving a salad course.

Mrs. Boyd Wells of Austin was an out-of-town guest.

NEIGHBORHOOD BRIDGE CLUB

On Tuesday evening the Neighborhood bridge club was delightfully entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Judd Davis on East Thirteenth street.

Yellow chrysanthemums were effectively used throughout the reception suite in floral decorations. Four tables for the games were laid with beautiful yellow covers.

High score for the men fell to Geo. Simonds and Mrs. Jewell Barmore received guest's high score. Prizes are not awarded in this club and these winners were content to be called "champion players" of the evening.

The hostess, assisted by Mesdames Walter Newton and George Simonds served a salad plate with hot tea.

Club guests present were: Mrs. Jewell Barmore, Mr. and Mrs. Buck-

Bonds, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Tyson, Dr. and Mrs. James Watson.

FORTY-TWO CLUB

Mrs. H. F. Smith, Jr., very delightfully entertained the forty-two club on Thursday afternoon at her pretty home on East Twenty-third Street.

The approach of the holidays was featured in the decorations by the use of Christmas holly and pine burrs in the darkened reception rooms which were lighted with red tapers that radiantly gleamed over the scene where six tables carried out the holiday idea in every appointment.

After a series of interesting games, the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Claude Triggs, passed beautiful bamboo trays centered with green baskets, with handles tied with red and green ribbon and filled with holly sprays, which contained a dainty salad course with hot tea. The baskets were given as table favors to those lucky in the cut.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

Members of the Presbyterian Auxiliary held no meeting Monday afternoon on account of the disagreeable weather. They had planned to meet at the home of Mrs. Floris Criswell in Buckholts. Next Monday they will meet at the church.

LOYAL WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The Loyal Woman's Council will hold their next meeting at the church January 3, 1927.

MRS. COTTLE ENTERTAINS

On last Friday evening in the parlors of the Auditorium, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cottle very charmingly entertained with a bridge party.

The approach of the Yuletide was featured in tallies, score pads, and table covers with an attractive Santa Claus design. Every where snow dust glistened and with the holiday decorations completed an ideal Christmas scene. Throughout the evening the guests were served dainty confections in red and green baskets.

In conclusion high score for the men was won by Claude Triggs, a giant fire cracker, covered with snow. Low score for men went to J. L. Clinton a small fire cracker, covered with

snow. Mrs. Walter Newton won high score for ladies, a Santa Claus. Miss Eloise Rogers received a tiny Santa Claus for consolation.

The hostess was assisted in serving marshmallow whip, fruit cake and angel cake squares, by Mr. S. A. Cottle and their charming little daughter, Mary Ellen.

CHRISTMAS DANCES AT WAYSIDE THURSDAY & SATURDAY

Mr. Cammer announces that all arrangements have been completed for two big dances for Christmas week. The dances will be held on Thursday and Saturday night, J. D. Lewis is to play and every one is invited. Mr. Cammer enclosed the pavillion and put up a stove so that it is comfortable at all times.

Experts think the old-fashioned dance is coming back, but we don't.

Honesty may be the best policy, but telling the truth isn't always exactly polite.

If you want to make someone believe you tell them something they want to hear.

Sometimes the answer to "Why girls leave home" is "So they can smoke a cigarette."

My Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a dresser, a four ball croquet set and an ironing board. If I am not asking too much of you, I would like a five-pound box of Chocolates and a bag of nuts.

Bring the poor children something too.

Your little friend,
Mildred Parma.
1012 W. Main Street

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. I live in the country. I want you to bring me a bicycle, doll, table, a little tea set, a story book and some fruit.

Your little friend,
Ora Westbrook.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND

A HAPPY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

TO EVERYBODY

W. A. COPUS

Cameron, Texas

To Our Many Friends
and Patrons
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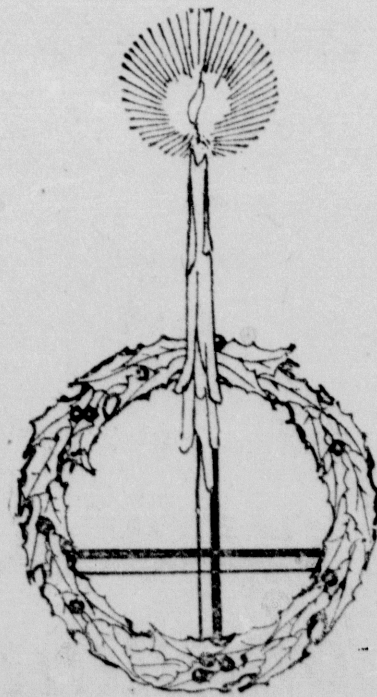
At this happy Yuletide we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for two reasons. First and foremost Christmas comes but once a year to bring us joy and happiness. Second, this is our anniversary. Three years ago we opened for business and what measure of success we have attained we pass the credit on to our faithful friends and customers whom we owe a debt that never can be paid.

May your Christmas and New Year be as bright and prosperous as you have made the past three years for us.

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LEE McLANE

BOB McLANE



Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cox and two charming daughters, Alice and Florence Cox of Dallas will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Walston.

Miss Katherine Flinn, teacher in Calvert spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. E. A. Flinn.

Ralph Walston, who holds a responsible position with the Tullus Hotel Company in Shreveport, La., will arrive about the 15th of January for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Walston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Henrichsen will move to Rockdale in the near future, where Mr. Henrichsen has purchased the Elite Confectionery of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woolley and Miss Leila Woolley will have as their guests Christmas, Mrs. Ramseur of Snyder, Miss Gladys Messimer, assistant cashier of the Yoakum State Bank; Miss Maurine Messimer, teacher at Donna; Miss Isabel Messimer who is teaching at Flatonia; Miss Tip Messimer, student in San Marcos school. They will arrive on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Howell and little Jay Jr., of Waco visited their mother, Mrs. T. A. Howell Wednesday.

John Green of Rosebud was a business visitor to Cameron Friday.

Emmett King of Rogers was in Cameron Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Thomas and family of Gause will spend Christmas Day with her mother, Mrs. Laura Cone.

Misses Maurine Clinton and Ruth Kemp of Southwestern University, Georgetown have arrived to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brown and Mrs. Penn Wolf went to Waco Friday.

Mrs. Bert Miller spent the week end with her parents in Waco.

Mrs. B. E. McMillan visited her mother, Mrs. M. M. Kemp in Rosebud Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Levy will spend Christmas Day with his sister, Mrs. Max Schneider in Waxahachie.

Miss Nan Black of Corpus Christi formerly of Cameron, will arrive Monday for a visit with her friend, Mrs. Wiley Mangum.

Miss Thesca Jensen will spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. C. F. Jensen in Shiner.

Miss Anita Pardo of Baylor College Belton will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pardo.

Miss Louise Atkinson of the Presbyterian College, Milford is at home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Watt Skinner of Rogers will visit Mr. and Mrs. Joe Denson during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. John Atkinson and little daughter of Waco will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Keith and Ralph Keith will spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. H. A. McElvey in Houston and from there will go to see their daughter, Mrs. P. B. Wilson in Galveston before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Keith and Kenneth Keith of Houston stopped over for a few hours in Cameron Sunday to see Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Keith.

Hooks Slocumb, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Slocumb of Cameron, was taken to a sanitarium in Temple on Monday to be treated. He has been suffering for some time from the effects of influenza and his condition is considered grave. The many friends of Hooks who was quarter back on the Cameron football team this year, wish for him a speedy recovery.

Joe Hefley of Austin is home for the holidays to visit with friends and relatives.

Miss Louise Adams, teacher at Edinburg is at home for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Adams for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. John A. Smith and her son, John A. Jr., will spend Christmas visiting her sisters, Mrs. Jones in Hillsboro and Mrs. Pool in Sherman.

Miss Bess Du Bois has accepted a position in the schools in Sherman and will leave after Christmas to begin her work there.

Clifton Tyson of Dallas stopped over for a few hours visiting friends in Cameron last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rosson of Milford will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Evers of Cuero will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coleman during the holidays.

Miss Lilly Kate Beckerman of Baylor College, Belton has arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Beckerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff T. Kemp and Miss Ruth Kemp went to Waco Saturday.

Misses Clyde and Rosa Lee Baskin are home from Southwestern University, Georgetown, to spend the holidays with their parents.

Misses Mary Lake and Winnie Henderson were shopping in Waco Saturday.

Misses Sallie Kate McLane and Beth Jeter went to Waco Saturday.

Fred Young of Southwestern University, Georgetown, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Dallis Young, during the holidays.

Mesdames S. A. Cottle, J. L. Clinton and B. F. Bonds were shopping in Waco Monday.

Miss Lou Davis saw the Oak Cliff-Waco football game in Waco Saturday.

L. V. Perkins and Shofner Sterling went to Waco Saturday to see the football game.

Gaston Barmore, C. S. Peyton and S. A. Cottle were among those from Cameron who saw the football game in Waco Saturday.

George William Triggs is at home from Southwestern University, Georgetown for the Christmas holidays.

Fred Thompson, Mrs. Meta McCown, Franklin and Robert McCown, Mrs. Monty Montgomery and little Betty Jane Montgomery spent Sunday in Caldwell with their aunt, Mrs. Bettie D. Merrin.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. McCown and family left last week for their new home in Edinburg.

Mrs. Joslin and Mrs. Hitt have gone to San Antonio to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Silber.

Sam Cheeves of Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Ga., has arrived for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Cheeves during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howard, John Howard Jr., of Waco, R. G. Carlton and Miss Wilma Mae Carlton of Beaumont will spend Christmas with Mrs. Senia Carlton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Mowdy of Milano were Christmas shopping in Cameron Monday.

Mrs. Grady Stidham went to Temple Saturday.

Joyce Cox of State University came with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Cox.

Miss Inez Tolmie of Nashville, Tenn., will be a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Cox Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Henley will spend Christmas with her brother in Hillsboro.

Judge and Mrs. Cooper Sansom and Misses Mattie and Minnie Hutson of Georgetown visited Mrs. Meta McCown and family Wednesday.

F. E. Flinn of Driscoll joined his wife and baby here Wednesday for a Christmas visit with relatives and friends.

Frank I. Haynie of Temple was in Cameron Tuesday. While here Mr. Haynie placed an advertisement in The Herald to rent a 100 acre farm north of Milano. Mr. Haynie formerly resided in Milam County and has many friends here.

Miss Helen Key who is teaching school at Realitis, Texas is expected home for the holidays.

Mrs. Conn Miller and Cyrus Miller are visiting her parents in Fort Worth this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Conally and Milton Conally of Cisco, Mrs. J. P. Gott and Carroll Pierce of Marlin will arrive Christmas Eve for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Leland Green. They will be present at the family re-union at Mrs. Green's during the holidays.

Mrs. T. C. Stafford was taken to the Cameron Hospital for treatment Tuesday morning for a fractured hip, resulting from a fall at her home Monday. Mrs. Stafford's friends will be anxious to hear of her recovery and return to her home.

S. E. Brogdon, Southwestern Life Insurance representative spent several days this week in Dallas on business.

Miss Naomi Pardo, teacher in Temple, will spend the holidays in Cameron with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pardo.

B. R. Strange, traveling salesman, will spend the Christmas holidays with his family in Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Moore Bonnet of Dallas will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Henderson during the Christmas holidays.

Burford McMillan of Buckholts was a visitor to Cameron Monday.

Bob Moorman of the North Elm community was in Cameron Tuesday.

Mrs. Jeffries of Austin is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. N. Kilian.

CLUB HOPES TO SHIP IN CAR LOAD OF HOGS

FINANCE COMMITTEE ASKED TO AID IN SECURING UNDERWRITING

The Commercial Club hopes to secure shipment of a car load of purebred brood sows to be sold to the farmers of the county.

The club Monday night endorsed the purchase of these hogs and asked the finance committee to arrange for the finance.

A number of farmers have spoken for these hogs and the report of the committee showed about one car has been spoken for. There has been delay due to lack of finance and the club has not been able to get the plan worked out.

The finance committee will be asked to see finance for the shipment thru the banks.

Notice was instructed to be inserted in the local papers two weeks ago that the club would ship in these hogs at meat prices to save the farmers money and to re-stock the territory with hogs. The hogs have not been purchased but hopes are held that the deal will go through.

The hogs are to be sold at no profit to anyone and farmers are urged to buy them.

GOETHE'S NEW YEAR WISH

Health enough to make work a pleasure.

Wealth enough to support your needs.

Strength enough to battle with difficulties and overcome them.

Grace enough to confess your sins and forsake them.

Patience enough to toil until some good is accomplished.

Charity enough to see some good in your neighbor.

Love enough to move you to be useful and helpful to others.

Faith enough to make real the things of God.

Hope enough to remove all anxious fears concerning the future.

REV. SHIMEALL, CHRISTIAN PASTOR WILL GO TO OKLA

It is with regret that the members of the Christian church give up their Pastor, Rev. Harold F. Shimeall, who came to them the first of the year, but larger and broader fields have been opened up to him which he has decided to accept, and will leave before the first of the year.

Rev. Mr. Shimeall has endeared himself to his congregation, and has made many friends outside of his church who regret to see him leave our midst. He, with his widowed mother, will move to the state of Oklahoma, where they will make their home in the future.

The sad thing about having a wife is she is always wishing her husband could be more sensible or more foolish.

You hear a lot of talk about self-made men, but all men are that.

Mrs. Syd Stidham and two charming little daughters, Charlotte Lanier and Sydney Jean of Houston will be guests in the homes of M. L. Pardo and Mrs. India Stidham Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White of Nixon and Howard White of San Antonio will arrive Thursday to spend the Christmas Holidays in the home of their son and brother, J. B. White.

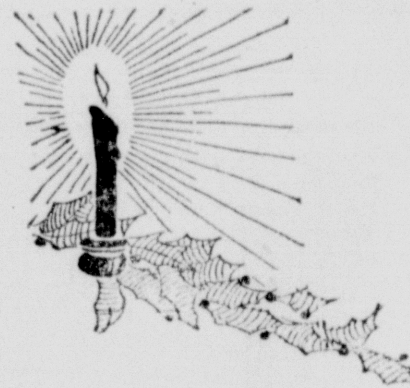
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Du Bois, Miss Bess Du Bois, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Gunn and little son, Waybourn will spend Christmas in Waxahachie with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kirsch.



The Gift Store

We can help you select your gifts for your Mother, Sister or Sweetheart. We have hundreds of practical gifts. Make this a practical Christmas and give something from this store. Their is only three more days till Christmas and our stock is so nicely arranged that it makes shopping a pleasure even in the rush of the last few days. Let us help you select that gift for HER.

We desire to thank our friends for their patronage and to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



W. B. LEVY
LADIES & MISSES SHOP

Sincere Greetings

The Christmas Season brings to us all a feeling of sincere gratitude and it is the time for customary greetings and good will.

We are grateful every day in the year for patronage of our friends and we wish to extend to you at this time in this way, our sincere thanks for the many favors during 1926 and to wish for one and all

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Santa Claus' Sugar Plums

Mary Graham Bonner

IT HAD always been such a nice, deceptive way in which to speak of specially delicious and delectable sweets—sugar plums.

Her grandmother had called candies and candied fruits and luscious bonbons "sugar plums." And she had always, because she liked candied fruits so particularly, called them "sugar plums."

It had been seventeen years since Rose had first remembered hearing of "sugar plums." She had been three then, and her grandmother had said



Rose Had Been Very Busy Getting Ready for Christmas.

In the wise, wise way that grandmother always had of knowing what was what, "Yes, only Santa Claus knows how to get the choicest of sugar plums."

Rose was very busy getting ready for Christmas. It was a busy time in the family. There were mince pies to be made and plum puddings, and almonds to salt, and fudge to make, and wreaths to make, and bells to fix, and fresh candles to put in the candle-sticks—red candles at this time of the year.

It was a time for general cheer, and from Rose's family a great share of this cheer went forth.

It was not that they were wealthy. They were, in fact, the opposite.

But it was their great satisfaction that by hard work and great energy of spirit they could do a great deal in a small way for every one with whom they came in contact at this season of the year.

Every present, no matter how simple, was prettily wrapped. There was no condescension in their giving. To them it was a big part of their Christmas delight that they knew so many people with whom they could share their Christmas sacrifices and the result of the late hours they kept for weeks before Christmas in their innumerable small preparations. Saving was always such fun throughout the early autumn. Of what fun was saving if it were all to be forever hidden?

There were two presents awaiting Christmas morning for Rose to unwrap. They were for her and she had taken them in when they had arrived, but she had not opened them.

She was curious about these presents. She knew they would be quite simple, but one was from Billy and one was from Joe and both Billy and

Joe had lately been running a race, as it were, for Rose's acceptance of engagements, for her favors.

She liked Billy much better than she did Joe. She knew that Billy liked her. She knew that Joe liked her, too. She felt that Joe would always make her very comfortable, would always be very kind, very dutiful, and that she would always have to be dutiful, too.

Of course, that was all right. But she felt that with Billy she would want to make him so very happy, and with Joe, that it would be so much more of a duty.

Yet Joe was more reliable, he was less irresponsible, less spontaneous, and so much more exact. But Billy was such a dear!

She could label all Joe's good points. Billy's were less tangible, but they were there, all right, even if she couldn't name them.

She helped her mother with the last Christmas Eve touches, covered the fire over with ashes, put out the lights and finally went to bed.

The next morning she opened Joe's present first. Somehow she wanted to keep Billy's to the last, the way she had done with things when she was a child.

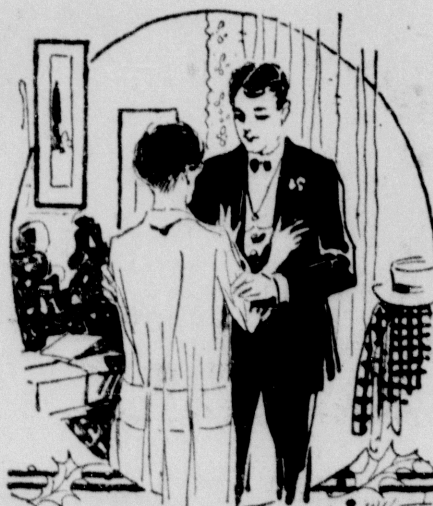
There was a little note with Joe's present, telling her what she knew he had been wanting to tell her for a long time—how much he thought of her, what a good wife he knew she would be—of that, he said, he was confident. And he hoped she would be of the same opinion about him. He would make her, he was quite sure, a good husband.

Then there was a word about the present. He had not known what to give her this year; he knew she had all of those things which, as their positions now were, were the only things he could give her, but his mother had suggested a very complete sewing-box.

There was no note with Billy's present. Just a card upon which he had written:

"I think you like these 'sugar plum' things. Merry Christmas." It was a wholly unreasonably large box of candied fruit.

Later Billy himself came around. What a dear he was! Oh, yes, Billy



"Crazy Present I Gave You," Billy Was Saying.

was a dear. And they had mistletoe, too, and Billy was grabbing her and was saying:

"Crazy present I gave you, but I know you like sugar plums; and, anyway, I had in mind a diamond ring, but just thought I'd speak to you about it first."

Billy had his own ideas. "Sugar plums," Joe had consulted his mother and there had been a sewing box. Oh, she couldn't tell just why, perhaps, but she did love Billy and she didn't love Joe. Perhaps it was because Billy was just a dear.

"The 'sugar plums' win," she said, and I'd love the diamond ring."

Billy didn't quite understand the first part of her sentence, but he did the last—and, after all, that was all that was necessary!

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Like the cowboy who was called on to offer a prayer for a friend who was mortally injured,—after stuttering and stammering, said to his companion: "Aw - - - - , Bill, you do it, I never could pray worth a - - - - ."

We never could express our real feelings, and the sentiment we feel at this time.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS:

Let us say: "Of all the pretty cards and beautiful Christmas sentiments, beautifully expressed, you may receive, please be assured none will be more heartfelt or sincere, than our simple,

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Jeter Lumber Co.

Cameron, Texas



In this
Brightest,
Merriest Season
of all the Year
here's the hope
that the fullest
Christmas Joys
may be Yours

Happiness that comes through doing things for others—kindliness and good fellowship—truly in these the real spirit of Christmas is shown.

With this greatest of holidays before us, let join in the good wishes of the world—granted, too, for the spirit of friendship which binds so many of our customers to us.

Citizens National Bank

U. S. Government Depository—4 per cent paid on Savings

Cameron, Texas

BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS**PEACE ON EARTH**

And Jesus having been born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of Herod the king, behold, Wise Men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we saw his star in the east, and we came to do him homage. And the King, Herod, hearing it, was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ should be born. And they said to him, In Bethlehem of Judea; for thus it is written through the prophet,

And thou Bethlehem, land of Judea, Art by no means least among the governors of Judeah;

For out of thee shall come forth a Governor,

Who shall shepherd my people Israel.

Then Herod, having privately called the Wise Men, learned from them exactly the time of the star that appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and inquire exactly concerning the child; and when ye have found him, bring me word, that I also may come and do him homage. And having heard the king, they went on their way; and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them till it came and stood over where the child was. And seeing the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And coming into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and did homage to him; and opening their treasures, they offered to him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being divinely instructed in a dream not to return to Herod, they withdrew into their own country by another way.

And when they had withdrawn, behold, an angel of the Lord appears to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be there until I tell thee; for Herod is about to seek the child to destroy him. And he arose and took the child and his mother by night and withdrew into Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt I called my son.

Then Herod, seeing that he was mocked by the Wise Men, was full of wrath, and he sent, and slew all the male children that were in Bethlehem, and in all its borders, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had exactly learned from the Wise Men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying,

A voice was heard in Ramah, Weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children; And she would not be comforted, because they are not.

But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appears in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, Arise and take the child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel; for they are dead who sought the

child's life. And he arose and took the child and his mother and came into the land of Israel. But hearing that Archelaus was reigning over Judaea instead of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither; and being divinely instructed in a dream, he withdrew into the region of Galilee, and came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophets: He will be called a Nazarene.

—Matt. 2.

CONSTRUCTIVE BOARD MEETING OF MILAM COUNTY BAPTIST SUNDAY AFTERNOON

At 3 o'clock last Sunday afternoon, the Milam County Executive Board held a special call meeting at the First Baptist Church, Cameron. Twelve members of the Board were present, and a very constructive program was outlined.

The Board decided that our own Campaign for Associational Missions should be postponed until March 15. This of course does not mean that any church will be prevented from taking care of the Associational Mission program, any time it may see fit, but only that no active aggressive campaign for Associational Missions will be inaugurated before March 15. If every church in the Association will go ahead and take care of the local mission work in a worthy manner, a campaign will be made unnecessary.

Through out the months of January, February and up until March 15 all possible emphasis will be laid on the State Wide Debt Paying Campaign of the State Baptist Board. An

organization was perfected for launching the campaign in this county. E. S. Hutcherson was elected General Director and Organizer, J. A. Hall Sunday School organizer for the Campaign, Mrs. J. A. Hall W. M. U. Organizer and J. H. Garrett, publicity director.

On Friday, January 7, there is to be a District Rally for this section of the state at Waco. Every Baptist in the County who can get to Waco, on this day, is urged to attend this all day meeting. We want at least one hundred to go from this county. The main speakers for the day will be Drs. L. R. Scarbrough and Geo. W. Truett, but there will also be other speakers, musicians, etc.

On Monday, January 3, the regular monthly Workers Conference will be held at the Cameron Baptist Church. A good program is being prepared, at least one out of town speaker will be at the meeting to give instruction and inspiration concerning the Campaign.

The Baptist Missionary, J. H. Garrett spoke to a filled house at Lilac last Sunday night. He spoke to the Yarrington congregation both at the Morning and evening hours on Sunday. He enjoyed speaking to a very appreciative audience.

J. H. Garrett.

FINISHING THE YEAR

The year is almost gone. What we do in this year must be done quickly. Only one more Sunday remains. Then the history of the church for 1926 have been written on high. Not only so but of each individual.

This has been a glorious year. One of the best in the history of the church. The tie of fellowship has been strengthened, and the spiritual life has been deepened, and upon the efforts that have been put forth God has added His blessings.

Possibly some will remember that at the beginning of the year the pastor suggested the idea that we should average one addition for each regular service morning and evening. He also requested that the church pray to that end. You will be happy to know that thus far we have had even 100 additions since the first day of the year. That leaves only four more between us and our goal. Let us pray that next Sunday will be a great day, and that at least, that many will come into our fellowship before the final benediction of this year.

REMEMBER THE ORPHANS

All the offerings from all the departments of the Sunday School next Sunday will go to the Orphans Home. There was a free will offering received last Sunday at the door for the orphans, and this will be repeated next Sunday, and in addition all the children in the Sunday School may bring a special offering to the Sunday School and all the Sunday School offering will be sent in.

Jesus said "In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto me."

FIRST NATIONAL BANK HAS XMAS TREE FROM BIRCH FORESTS NORTH

Fred B. Cable, cashier of the First National Bank, has received from the birch forests of Washington state a beautiful birch tree which has been decorated and placed in the lobby of the bank.

This tree is rare, being practically unknown in this section of the state. The tree has been decorated with colored lights and tinsel and at the base a snow bank.

The tree adds much to the downtown district in displaying Christmas spirit and Mr. Cable is to be congratulated on his selection.

FOR SALE

Good black land farm of 210 acres near Meeks practically all in cultivation, will sell at a reasonable price, and on reasonable terms. See me when you get ready to buy, and I will take you out to the place.

T. C. Stafford, Agent.

Compliments of the Season

To our friends loyal and true, to our valued new friends and to those whose friendship we strive to deserve, we heartily wish unmeasured happiness and good fortune throughout the coming year.

With grateful appreciation for all the business received by us from you, and for the priceless thought intangible asset, your good will which we prize beyond measure, we seek to merit your continued confidence and aim to serve you helpfully in the future.

J. D. DOBBINS

Cameron

Dry Goods & Groceries

Texas

To Our Patrons:

We wish to extend the greetings to the friends and patrons of our shows—

THE NEW HEFLEY

AND

THE WONDERLAND

And say to all that the patronage and public favor in 1926 has been greatly appreciated.

The work on the New Hefley Theater is going forward and will be completed in a short time when the programs now being shown at the Wonderland will be back at the New Hefley.

Special Programs will be shown during Holidays

TO ONE AND ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

New Hefley and Wonderland Theaters

SAM HEFLEY, Proprietor

Delco Lights

Modernize The Home

Electricity is too valuable a servant and too great a time and labor saver for you to be without its services. It provides a bright light in the home and does away with the cleansing and filling of kerosene lamps. It also eliminates danger from open flame lamps and lanterns. It is a wonderful convenience for providing light for the outbuildings or providing power for light farm machinery.

With the improved self starting Delco Light, no one need do without the advantages of electricity. It provides full 750 watt service, sufficient for all light and power requirements of the average home. It will furnish current for thirty 25 watt lights and supply sufficient current for an electric iron, sweeper, pressure water system and other motor driven appliances up to one-half horse power. The plant is economical in operation the fuel consumption being automatically regulated according to load out put required.

Modernize your home by installing dependable Delco-Light. It is an investment that will increase the value of your property, save you time and lessen your work and pay you big dividends in satisfaction and contentment.

Christmas Greetings

May you have the Merriest Christmas this year that you have ever had and may the New Year be the Happiest in your life.

Keith Electric Co.

Cameron, Texas

CAMERON CHURCHES TO PRESENT SPECIAL SERVICES FEATURING THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS TIME

Friday night churches in Cameron will celebrate the birthday of Christ with Christmas trees and gift programs.

One of the features of the celebration in the churches will be at the midnight service at the Episcopal and Catholic churches.

Presbyterian Church

Friday evening, December 24, at 7:00 o'clock under the direction of the Sunday School there will be a Christmas tree at the church. Santa Claus will be there, and gifts will be arranged for members of the Beginners and Primary Department.

Baptist Church

Friday evening, December 24 at 7:00 o'clock there will be a Christmas tree at the Baptist church for the Cradle Roll, Beginners and Primary Departments.

Methodist Church

A Christmas tree will be at the Methodist church Friday evening at 7:00 o'clock for the Beginners, Primary and Junior Departments. Members of the various departments will be presented in an interesting program telling in the form of a play the story of Christ.

Christian Church

Ladies of the Christian church have arranged for a Christmas tree to be given at the church on Friday evening at 7:00 o'clock. Santa Claus will be there and will assist in distributing the gifts.

St. Monica's Catholic Church

Midnight Mass Christmas Eve. Low Mass at 8 a. m. Christmas Day. Second High Mass at 10 a. m. Christmas Day.

Episcopal Church

On Christmas Eve, ten minutes before midnight, there will be a service in the Episcopal church to commemorate the most important event in the history of mankind. When the Son of God became also the Son of Man, when in great humility, God the Son was born in the flesh, so that He might atone for every sin of the flesh, and became the Redeemer of all human beings who by faith will accept Him as their Savior.

All who believe that the Babe of Bethlehem, born of the Virgin Mary is Jesus the Lord, are invited to come and join in this service of praise, of Thanksgiving and worship, and in this befitting manner welcome the nineteen hundred and twenty-seventh birthday of the Christ Child.

next meeting which will be the first meeting in January.

The ordinance as now written provides that anyone who stands the examination before the inspector may file a surety bond for approval with the mayor.

SCHOOLS SUSPEND FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

OUT WEDNESDAY AND WILL CONVENE ON JANUARY THE THIRD

Holidays are to be enjoyed by the school children of Cameron when the schools will be suspended Wednesday night and reconvene on January 3.

The closing days of school preceding the holidays were crowded with activities. Christmas programs were held in the various departments with the kindergarten and primary grades leading in these festivities.

The holiday vacation period will give the children twelve days counting Saturdays and Sundays in which to enjoy their Christmas pleasures.

The Holidays will be crowded with events to their liking. There will be many parties, dances and other entertainments.

The first term of the school has been a successful one and the averages this year in all departments are said to be higher than usual.

METHODIST CHURCH

L. J. Power Pastor

Services Sunday, December 26 as follows:

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. by the pastor, Senior and Intermediate Leagues subject: "Self-examination." meet at 6 p. m.

Preaching, 7 p. m. by the pastor, subject, "Christ's Enrichment of Human Life."

Fine music, warm welcome, good fellowship. Come worship with us.

NOTICE

Regular meeting of the Eastern Star Tuesday evening, December 28. All officers and members are urged to be present. Initiation.

Will H. Stafford, Sec'y.

NEW HEFLEY THEATER SOON TO BE OPENED

POPULAR PLAYHOUSE BEING COMPLETED FOR PROGRAMS HERE

The New Hefley Theatre will soon be in operation.

Workmen on the building are completing the room, having already reconstructed the walls of the building damaged by the recent fire.

Mr. Hefley hopes to have the theater in operation by the first of the year.

The picture machines were damaged and all equipment in the projection room destroyed by the blaze. The equipment to be installed will be of the latest type and the show will be up to standard.

Since the fire the movie fans have been entertained at the Wonderland theater and the usual good programs are going forward.



He—I'm going to give you a Christmas present this year that no money can buy.

She—I prefer one that some money can buy.

Christmas Tie

Wife gave him a surprise. A tie made for his sake. 'Twas very like the ties that mother used to make. —Louisville Courier-Journal.

Large Christmas Trees

The white pines are best for community and church Christmas trees as their size is more adapted to larger spaces. The spruce is one of the most common of Christmas trees.

Guard Against Fire

Careful citizens keep a pailful of water handy under the highly inflammable Christmas tree.

That Christmas Night

Like small curled feathers, white and soft, The little clouds went by, Across the moon and past the stars, And down the western sky: In upland pastures where the grass With frosted dew was white, Like snowy clouds the young sheep lay, That first, best Christmas night. —Margaret Deland.

THE STATE OF TEXAS. COUNTY OF MILAM

Whereas on December 16th, 1926, a petition was presented to the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Milam County, Texas, signed by W. T. Rogers and others constituting a majority of the resident freeholder voters in the hereinafter described territory, praying for an election to be ordered in said territory to determine whether or not, horses, mules, jacks, Jennets, cattle, hogs, sheep and goats, shall be permitted to run at large within the following territory, to-wit:

A part of justice precinct No. 3 in Milam County, Texas, beginning at the N. E. corner of the Hoyte School District for the N. E. corner of this, said corner being at a point where the Cameron and Gause public road crosses the center of Cannon Snap Creek; thence with said public road N. 71 W. 1034 vrs. N. 74 W. 2500 vrs. N. 71 W. 2599 vrs. N. 88 W. 200 vrs. N. 71 W. 1150 vrs. to the junction of the Cameron and Gause public road, and the Cameron and Milam public road at the N. W. corner of the W. T. Rogers tract of land for the N. W. corner of this; thence with the said Cameron and Milam public road S. 19 E. 1330 vrs. S. 30 E. 1125 vrs. S. 69 E. 396 vrs. S. 44 1-2 E. 288 vrs. S. 36 E. 178 vrs. S. 3-4 E. 3461 vrs. S. 14 1-2 E. 1129 vrs. to a point N. 71 W. from the N. W. corner of the M. A. Garner 96 acre tract; thence S. 71 E. 1750 vrs. to the N. E. corner of said Garner tract said corner being the N. W. corner of the Mrs. Margaret Aschenbeck tract thence S. 19 W. 620 vrs. to another corner of said Aschenbeck tract; thence N. 71 W. 160 vrs. to corner, thence S. 19 W. 580 vrs. to the S. W. corner of said Aschenbeck tract; thence S. 71 E. 2150 vrs. to the S. E. corner of said Aschenbeck tract for the S. E. corner of this, thence

N. 19 E. 1200 vrs. to the N. E. corner of said Aschenbeck tract; thence along the north line of said tract N. 71 W. 700 vrs. to a point where said line crosses said Cannon Snap Creek; thence down said creek with its meanderings to the place of beginning.

And the Commissioner's Court having ordered said election to be held the residence of Joe Ethridge.

Now, therefore, I Jeff T. Kemp, in my official capacity as County Judge of Milam County, Texas, do hereby order said election to be held on the 29th day of January A. D. 1926 at the residence of Joe Ethridge.

G. P. Hartsfield is hereby appointed

ed presiding officer of said election and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this County and who are resident freeholder voters in said territory shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters who favor said "stock law" shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the stock law." And those opposed to said "stock law" shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the stock law."

Dated this the 21st day of December A. D. 1926.

JEFF T. KEMP,

County Judge, Milam Co., Tex.

Tire SALE

DO YOU NEED TIRES?

We Need the Money

All size Tires and Tubes at greatly reduced prices—Less than cost

Sale lasts until December 31st

Pennsylvania Tire Store

R. A. HOUSTON

Moore Building

Camern, Texas

Compliments of the Season

The Holiday Season affords an opportunity to express again the pleasure we derive from our business relation with you and among our assets we like to count the only one thing that money cannot buy, your Good Will, and so in behalf of our entire organization we wish for you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Robert McLane Company

Cameron

Caldwell

Hearne

Rockdale

Christmas SPECIALS

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

Oranges, 50 for	50c
Del Monte Peaches, Melba halves, 40c	26c
Dates, 10-oz. package	15c
Marshmallows, Angelus, package	8c
Mixed Nuts, per pound	24c
Hershey Cocoa, 1-2 pound can	17c
Apples, Nice red ones, each	1c
Apples, per box	\$1.65
Crisco, 6-lb pail	\$1.12
Brooms, 4-string, 50c value	29c
Brooms, 4-string, 65c value	39c
Floor Mops, 16-oz. Linen	33c
Walnuts, large new crop, pound	30c
Christmas Candy, per pound	14c
10 Bars P. & G. Soap for	39c

Oranges are good for Thursday afternoon only and are limited 50 to a customer.

FREE ABSOLUTELY FREE

Friday at 3 p. m. we are going to give away one 15-piece China Tea Set FREE. Nothing to buy, just be here on time and bring the family along. Every member of the family is entitled to take part in it.

If We Can't Lead—We Won't Follow

J. T. Parma

GROCERIES—FISK TIRES—ACCESSORIES
Phone 104 Cameron, Texas

1878

1926

SINCERE GREETINGS:

The Cameron Herald was established in 1878 and is one of the oldest weekly newspapers in Texas. The Herald is the champion of Cameron's interests and of the people of Milam County and at this season joins with other public spirited enterprises of Cameron in extending its best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. Newspaper folks consistently refrain from personal mention, especially in the columns over which they preside but on the suggestions of others the personnel of The Herald force have consented to extend their greetings in this manner, and here is presented a brief word about each of those who play a part in the publication of this paper. They edit and print The Herald 52 times each year and the paper going to its subscribers represents their tireless energy, thought and planning to make it the best newspaper in the county thereby offering the advertisers the most profitable medium possible to achieve.



ROBERT BROWNING

A craftsman worthy the name, Robert Browning, foreman of the plant, in point of service to the paper is the oldest member of the force.

Mr. Browning joined the force of the Herald in 1919 shortly after his discharge from the American Army and following an overseas service with the 99th Division, taking part in some of the major battles in which American troops participated in the world war.

Mr. Browning is a native of Texas, having been born and reared in Smith County, near Tyler. At an early age he was attracted to the printing trade and his career has brought to him a wide experience. Mr. Browning is considered not only by the management of The Herald but among plants over the state as one of the most efficient plant foreman ever to have graduated from Texas shops. He is equally a foreman, printer and all round machinist. Mr. Browning has also had experience as an editor having at one time edited and printed a newspaper of his own.

The Herald management is proud of his record and takes pride in his valuable contribution to the force behind this paper. The large volume of display advertising together with the arrangement of the pages and general make up of this issue of the paper was arranged by Mr. Browning and his services to merchants in attractively displaying their message in Herald type is universally recognized and appreciated. Mr. Browning is the best and speediest craftsman that ever worked inside a Cameron shop.

FRANK B. ANDREWS

Mr. Andrews has been a member of the force for the past few months, coming to Cameron from California to take the position he now holds in the job department of the paper. Mr. Andrews has been with the force only a short time. He has been instrumental in promoting the efficiency of plant in the part he plays on the presses and in executing the large volume of commercial printing turned out by the shop.

The management takes pride in its organization and demands efficiency and it is a heritage of the paper that those who direct its activities measure up to the standards laid down by the directing head.



GLENN H. FLINN

Advertising manager of The Herald, Mr. Flinn came to the organization in the spring of this year, fresh from his studies at the University of Texas. He is a young man but is directing his work like a veteran. He is the son of Mrs. E. A. Flinn of Cameron and the late E. A. Flinn, well known and beloved citizen.

Mr. Flinn is a graduate of the Cameron High school and later was a student for two years at the University of Texas. Desiring to try his talents in the field of advertising Mr. Flinn accepted the position he now holds with The Herald and his work has been satisfactory in every way.

The attractive display advertising and sport news appearing in The Herald each week are the products of his skill. Mr. Flinn plans advertising campaigns and offers a growing experience to those who want the best in advertising arrangements.

As a member of the force who print the paper, Mr. Flinn has the confidence of the management and his work has been largely responsible for the growth of the paper during the year. Looking through the columns of this Christmas number readers will find a large volume of display advertising, all of which was placed by this enterprising and highly esteemed young advertising manager.



J. B. WHITE

(Submitted by Employees)

J. B. White, editor and manager of The Herald cast his lot with Cameron and Milam County on January 4th, 1920. Mr. White was formerly city editor of the San Antonio Express and owner and manager of the Nixon News.

In the short space of seven years, Mr. White has actively identified himself with various local enterprises and movements looking towards the civic development of Cameron and Milam County and the things that make for real, substantial growth and progress. He has served as Mayor of the City, and at present, is a member of the Board of Aldermen and is local Commander of the Edwin Hardy Post of the American Legion.

We, his co-workers and employees of The Herald staff, know him best as the man on whose shoulders rests the responsibility of our paper, the things it is trying to accomplish, and the high ideals ever sought to be maintained. As the editor who receives the praise or takes the "cussing", as the manager who signs our pay checks, or as the printer or printer's devil who picks the type, he has always dealt fairly and squarely with us. He has been considerate of our mistakes and we have learned that he can commend a virtue as well as correct a fault. We appreciate all these things, and in this "Good Will" edition of our paper and while the "Boss" is not looking for a moment, we just wanted to "say it in print" and pass it on to you.



HARRY W. TAG

Mr. Tag is the man who operates the big Mergenthaler linotype presenting each week from its thousands of slugs the mass of reading matter and advertisements.

Mr. Tag has been a member of The Herald force since a small boy, beginning at the presses in the job department. His studious application of talent has brought to him promotion and today he occupies a key position in the plant of the paper.

As a linotype operator, in the opinion of the management, he has no superior in this section of Texas both for speed and for machine operation. His place with the organization is fixed and his services are indispensable. He was placed in charge of the new model Fourteen Mergenthaler in 1925 following the retirement of Matt B. Bailey as operator and has met the demands of the place like a veteran. All of the matter appearing in this issue of the paper came from the key board of the big machine under his efficient touch and the management is proud of his record.

He is tireless in his devotion to the interests of the paper and his work is a proudfest achievement the annual volume of thought and time required to print and mail to the great family of subscribers Milam County's largest and best newspaper.



MRS. A. J. LEWIS

Mrs. Lewis came to the service of The Herald on October 12, 1925, to take charge of the books and records and in this capacity of directing this important branch of the business she has achieved success and her contribution to the success of the paper has the highest estimate of the management.

Mrs. Lewis when she joined the organization was Miss Minnie Nell Blaylock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Blaylock of Cameron. Shortly after coming to the office of the plant and in the spring of 1926 she was married to Mr. A. J. Lewis, district attorney of Milam County.

Mrs. Lewis for the past three months has been writing the social and other news features for The Herald and her work in an editorial capacity has been one of the big factors in bringing the news columns of The Herald up to their present standard. With each issue of the paper Mrs. Lewis is increasing her contributions to the news columns and her many friends everywhere appreciate the fine work she is doing for the paper.

The management of the paper is well pleased with her work and upon her efforts place the greatest confidence. Her part in the progress of the paper is equally appreciated by the great company of readers.

MATT B. BAILEY

As a tribute to the long and honorable service rendered by Mr. Bailey to The Herald, the management takes pleasure in listing him among the newspaper family for on occasions Mr. Bailey comes in from his farm home and takes over the big Mergenthaler linotype. During the latter years of his service to The Herald Mr. Bailey was the machine operator and his work in this capacity was satisfactory in every way.

In 1925 Mr. Bailey resigned his place with this paper and went to a farm which he has purchased east of Cameron. On vacation periods and during special demands Mr. Bailey returns to help out the force.

The management considers Mr. Bailey a member of this family and recalls with pride and pleasure his long service to this paper.

We Wish All A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

There is a Santa Claus!

BY THOMAS NELSON PAGE

Perhaps it is because I have written a book or two about Christmas and Santa Claus that I am asked to say whether I still believe in Santa Claus, and if I do, why I believe in him.

Of course, I believe in Santa Claus, and if any one should do away with him, or even attempt to do so, I feel that it would be an unpardonable crime against childhood. I believe in Santa Claus "because"—because I have always believed in him since I used to wake up of a Christmas morning in the little trundle bed and find that Santa Claus had really been there during the night and filled our stockings with real Christmas presents. And I believe in him because since then I have seen several generations of children, two in my family, believe in him as others believed in him, before them, and when generation after generation of little children, who know the deep things of life, who can with absolute certainty decide questions that puzzle the magi, and can make perfectly definite and infallible choice where right and wrong are concerned believe, who am I not to believe?

I was brought up to believe in Santa Claus—everyone in my day was—gray beard, "little round belly," sleigh, reindeer, chimneys and all, and I cling fondly to old beliefs where they mean kindness, sweetness and the joyous spirit of family life, especially where the children grew up among the elders to learn to carry on the traditions and were not farmed out to nurses, and grooms, and helots. And Santa Claus was one of the traditional possessions of the people. He sometimes bore different names, such as "Kris Kringle" and "Saint Nicholas," but the first was foreign and the latter more formal, and we preferred the more friendly name—"Santa Claus."

Great preparations were made against his coming. In fact, it was for children the principal event of the year, as Christmas was the principal festival of the year. It was known as "the holidays," and the secret coming of Santa Claus the night of Christmas Eve, with his Christmas presents, was at least, for the children, the chief event of the season. Such excitement as there was over it as bedtime drew near and the stockings were to be hung! Bold would he have been who dared to raise the question even as to the chimney's being the best mode of ingress. All houses had chimneys in those days, perhaps, among other reasons, for the special convenience of Santa Claus.

Of course, everyone knew that Santa Claus brought presents only to good children—we were told this often enough—but, happily the test of goodness for that night was easy to attain, for it was only Sleep, and by some strange alchemy sleep always came, however firmly we made up our minds to keep awake and watch him on the sly; so, naturally, he thought us all good, and in the morning all our stockings were bulging with delightful things, dreamed of and undreamed of, in ocular proof that Santa Claus had been there.

Of course, I believe in Santa Claus, and not only I, but all sensible people believe in him. No better test of a crank exists than this: "Do you or do you not believe in Santa Claus?" If he is a normal person with any humor or vision he says: "Of course, don't you?" If, however, he says "No,"

he is a crank—hopeless—lost—a blind leader of the blind.

Some years ago—now a good many years ago—a little girl, as Christmas drew near, wrote a letter to the Sun, which in those days "shone for all," asking if there were still a Santa Claus, and Frances P. Church, one of Charles A. Dana's right-hand men, wrote her a reassuring and beautiful letter to satisfy her that there certainly was a Santa Claus. I have more than one copy of that letter so carefully put away that off here in England I can not find it to send it to you.

If I had it I should not need to write this to convince any one that Santa Claus still survives and still goes his joyous rounds every Christmas Eve night, and I should not like to have any child in America left in any doubt whatsoever that Santa Claus still lives and will continue to live in eternal kindness and cheer so long as the light of the imagination glows in the soul and touches the world to a beauty and is reflected in the limpid eyes of childhood; so long as mothers and fathers love their children, and grandmothers and grandfathers love their grandchildren and relieve their childhood in their joy; so long as memories of childhood survive as little bits of heaven even in hearts that have grown stony or have been choked by briars and thorns—by the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of many things—especially

by a too practical mind that seeks and grovels, among more material facts with vulture-like avidity.

That dear friend of youth, Charles Lamb, has said that "in the little Goshen of childhood there is always light."

It is sad indeed when we give up the beliefs of our childhood. It is a proof not that what we then believed in has changed, but that we have changed. We have lost some of the light that we had in our "little Goshen." Santa may not appear to us any more, but he still travels his annual Christmas rounds to bless myriads of homes with cheer and carry joy to countless children.

If Santa Claus no longer makes us thrill it is because we have lost the freshness of imagination which in childhood creates a universe in a flash and gives a world to be explored around every corner. This is why grown-up owls hoot solemnly of bricks and mortar; dull, straight, prosaic streets and walls and other prosaic facts, while children are thrilling and twittering over shining imaginings—the true realities of childhood, such as Santa Claus sleigh, drawn by reindeer who spurn brick walls, steep roofs and such like trumpery barriers and with flying leaps bear Santa Claus to where, careless of space, he can reach the stockings and hearts of dreaming children throughout all lands. What are facts to the virgin imagination of childhood? Isolated, crude, lifeless things are facts, blocking ways that childhood overlaps like Santa Claus reindeer.

Are brutal, material facts the only facts? Are there not immaterial facts—alive, impalpable, yet more real than the others? Children's facts are mainly immaterial. Go ask any child you know and learn wisdom. Is not Christmas a fact? Go down the street anywhere the day before Christmas and see for yourself. There are shops full, blizzards, dazzling. There are the people hurrying, pushing, thronging, parting, smiling. But these are not Christmas, they are only the signs and tokens brought there by Christmas, as the stockings full Christmas morning will be the signs of Santa Claus' visit.

Christmas is the spirit that has created these outward signs and tokens, and this is a greater and more powerful fact than all the toys and sweets and other Christmas presents in the shops.

Just when Santa Claus first came I can not exactly tell you. I only know that a long time ago, nearly 2,000 years ago, in a country a great way off from here there were shepherds—simple, childlike folk—watching their flocks in the fields by night, and an angel appeared to them, bringing glad tidings of great joy, for he said that that day was born in the City of David, which was Bethlehem, a Saviour whom they were looking for, and that they would find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host singing "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."

And after his holy work began to spread over Christendom and his worship spread likewise, our wise men called this night Christmas, and in time it became the custom to keep it as a great festival of peace and good will, of cheer and joy. And in this Christmas spirit came Santa Claus; the joy of childhood; the golden op-

portunity of maturer age for dispensing happiness.

Of course, I believe in Santa Claus, and I am sorry for all the practical-minded, prosaic, poor souls who have no light of imagination to help them understand what all children know. They can never know about Santa Claus any more than the deaf know music or the blind know beauty. If they doubt Santa Claus, let them try sending Christmas presents to any children they know or to any poor person they know, and they will soon have reason to change their minds.

But, no matter what they say or do, Santa Claus will come every Christmas so long as children believe in him, and if he should ever stop coming it will be a sad Christmas for the world, for it will have lost the happiest season of the year, sacred to

children, but in which even the grown-up people can become as little children, and so have for a few hours a bit of heaven on earth within them.

What's the Answer?

Wife—Remember that old million-are wanted to marry me?

Hubby—Yes.

"And how easily you got me away from him?"

"Bet your life I do, ha! ha!"

"Well, he married that Flossie Flapper you used to like pretty well and has just bought her a set of sables for Christmas."

Hard to Figure Out

It is hard to figure out why it is that Santa Claus was not created in the form of a woman.

Christmas Tie

Wife gave him a surprise. A tie made for his sake. 'Twas very like the ties that mother used to make.
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Large Christmas Trees

The white pines are best for community and church Christmas trees as their size is more adapted to larger spaces. The spruce is one of the most common of Christmas trees.

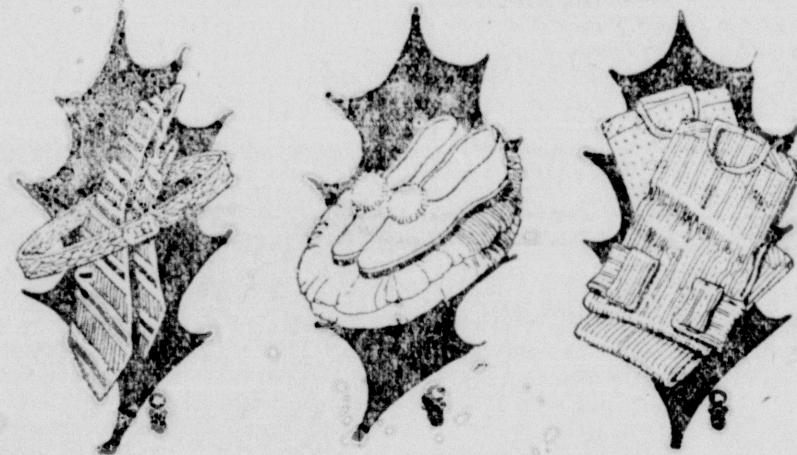
Guard Against Fire

Careful citizens keep a pailful of water handy under the highly inflammable Christmas tree.



"Let the Merry Christmas Spirit Be in Everybody's Heart"

Let's make this an old fashioned Christmas. Let's scatter gifts and good fellowship not only among our own families and friends but in those less fortunate homes where little children may go without a visit from Santa Claus unless we send along a pretty doll or a warm sweater. Let's have a glad word and a jolly smile for everybody for that's what Christmas means.



There's a wide variety of appropriate gifts to please the choicest of Mothers, Fathers, Sisters, Brothers, Relatives and Friends.

To our friends and customers everywhere we wish for them a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ONLY THREE MORE DAYS TO SHOP

Pierce & Bradbury

"The Christmas Store of Good Cheer"

Cameron, Texas

Xmas Greetings

Not because of the Honored Custom, but because of our genuine appreciation of your patronage and good will we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A. R. Stecher

ELITE CONFECTIONERY AND GROCERY

To Our Friends:

With sincere appreciation for the consideration accorded us during the year in the patronage and good will we join heartily in the spirit of the season to wish for our friends

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Cameron Machine Shop

Cameron, Texas

MEMBERS OF MARAK PARISH HOLD CELEBRATION ON 60th BIRTHDAY OF REVEREND FATHER KACER

Thursday night of last week the people of the Marak Community celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of Rev. K. Kacer, resident Catholic priest since the organization of the parish. The program consisted of a sumptuous feast, in charge of the good ladies of the parish, speeches and an entertainment by the school children. The expensive and entertaining program only emphasized the love and respect by the parishioners for their spiritual leader. And it was a proper and fitting manifestation, not by words only, for the honoree was the recipient of a number of expensive presents. He has been continuously with these people for twenty-five years; he has seen one generation of men and women grow and blossom into manhood and womanhood from childhood. It was principally these men and women that shrouded on him in words and in deeds tributes of love and respect. There were also present others upon whom, like upon their leader, time had left its impress, and still others too small to talk gathered around him.

Thirty-five years ago this man, simple in his ways, plain in words, made a vow to forsake the things of this world and consecrate his life to the moral uplift of those that would be entrusted to his care. So attentive was he in his duties that he is little known outside of his community, for all of his time was spent with his people.

Is it true that no human being is perfect, yet if a man dedicates life for others and for thirty five years assiduously practices his vocation, he attains a certain perfection, simply because it is his sole object in life. And it has been said by those who have known him for many years, that were they to point out a reprehensible weakness in this man they could cheerfully and sincerely say that they know it not.

Sometime after the war when there was a certain amount of distrust among the people in some sections

of the country, due to abnormal conditions which usually follow in the wake of a war in some form or another, a friend of the priest asked him his opinion of those who would deny him his religious convictions. Unhesitatingly he stated that his duty was plain towards such people. "My religion teaches me to love my enemies, and at Mass I pray for them." Turning directly towards his friend he inquired: "Did not Saul persecute the Christians who later embraced Christianity, and became the great St. Paul." And demanding further of his friend to know what other course could be pursued by one who professes Christianity, he added: "Are we not all children of one Father who is in Heaven."

Twenty-three years ago the Marak church was built. It was a difficult task. People within the immediate vicinity of the church had not heard a Gospel for many years, and they turned a deaf ear to his appeal for funds. By personal sacrifice on his part the church became a reality, but a heavy debt remained to be met, if it really could be. But the debt was paid in a short time and many wondered how it was accomplished. Rev. Kacer's ordinary ability to manage finances and his experience in this respect was limited. The men who scoffed at the idea of a church as an asset in their community, emulated by the example of this man, mended their ways, and became practical church going members. They wiped out the debt.

And so under the Father's guidance the parish grew and prospered. He comforted the sick, taught the young the fundamental doctrines of the church and brought to all within his fold the teachings of the lowly Nazarene.

But his duties, as the membership increased, became too much for him alone. He believed that a child should not grow up without being taught the teachings of his Maker, and when the mind of the youth was developing,

was the opportune time. He was a priest and could not assume the duties of a teacher without neglecting the duties of a priest, at least to a certain extent.

Two years ago he took upon himself the responsibility to build a school where religion could be instilled in the minds of the little ones. His parishioners hastened to his assistance. A modern up-to-date school was built and three Sisters of charity were placed in charge of teaching the children. There is no doubt, and our foremost educators in the land of our great universities are thoroughly convinced that he who is grounded in the fundamentals of Christianity, cannot be a good Christian and a bad citizen. "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's." If the community was heretofore known for its law abiding citizens, causing neither unnecessary expense of litigation for the State, nor imposing additional taxes to maintain State Institutions, where fatherless and motherless children are plac-

ed, so often on account of the evils of divorce, might it not be expected that the children taught in a school to know their Maker and respect superior authorities that such fortunate conditions will likely prevail in the future.

When Father Kacer rose to his feet to thank the people for their manifestation of love and respect, he stated that if he was instrumental in pointing the way to them to be good Christians and citizens that in that thought he finds satisfaction and contentment.

Though he is very little known outside of his community, his influence is felt outside of his sphere of activities and Milam County is a better place to live because Father Kacer has seen fit to spend twenty-five years of his life with us.

A Friend.

\$525.00 Essay Contest for School Children from fifth to eleventh grades. Closes January 25, 1927. Write for particulars and free catalogue. RAMSEY'S AUSTIN NURSERY - Austin, Texas.

Christmas, Mistletoe

—the Kissing Custom

Since the Christian era, mistletoe was dedicated to Christmas time. With it went the custom of kissing under the white-berried plant, probably a survival of the saturnalia of pagan rites.

But the Christian elders decided that when the churches were decorated with mistletoe, there was too much kissing going on during the services and too many requests for the wedding service.

So they abolished mistletoe and hung up in its stead holly, to signify the dark monolony and many thorns of matrimony. But the mistletoe stayed in the homes at Christmas, and so did the kissing custom.

It is bad luck for a maiden to stand under the mistletoe and not be kissed. It means that she will not be married that year.

Naturally

"Have you been doing your holiday shopping early?"

"Well, not of late."

Christmas, a God-Man,

Said John Wanamaker

"Christmas is a man born—not a sentiment," said John Wanamaker. Too often we think of the birth of the Christ-child as a beautiful story, and we are apt to forget that the event we celebrate at the Christmastide is a historical fact. So many fairy tales have been woven into the original fabric that the truth is in danger of being obscured. Christmas is not a beautiful legend about a plump old man with white whiskers and a pack of toys on his back. Christmas is a God-man born into the world to give light and life, peace and joy—a reality that tops all realities.

Wrapping the Gift

If we do not wrap up a little love with our Christmas gift what is the use?

Super-Silk

She—I don't expect a thing in my stocking this Christmas, you're so stingy lately.

He—You buy such expensive stockings I have nothing left to put in them.

To the Last Minute Shopper

We offer a still well assorted stock of Gift Furniture, Toys and Gifts of every description. Our Christmas business has been gratifying but we still have worlds of gifts far more valuable than the price you will have to pay.



We offer the famous Horstmann Doll at prices from—
\$2.50 to \$9.50
Other Dolls from 25c up.



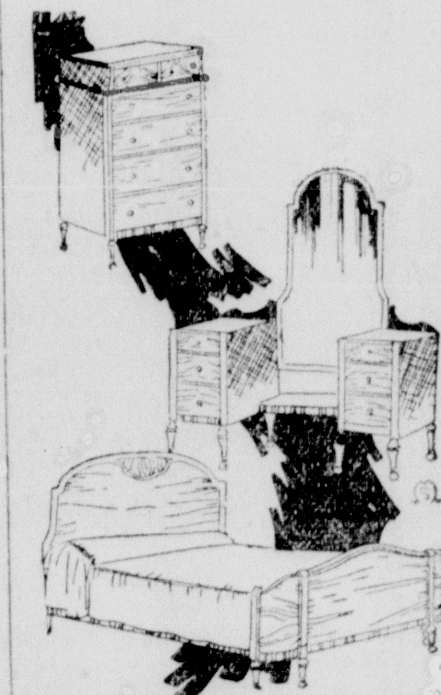
Wheel Goods



Tricycles, Scooters, Bikes, Autos and Coaster Wagons. A size for every child.



Ladies Hat Boxes, Overnight Bags and Wardrobe Trunks. Delightful gifts at all prices.



Gift Furniture

Red and green End Tables, Console Tables and Desks. Phoenix Chairs and Foot Stools.

Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets and Perfection Oil Stoves. All of the above will give the housewife a Happy Christmas.

We take this opportunity of thanking our customers and friends for their patronage during this past year and earnestly solicit a continuance in 1927.

Cameron Furniture Co.

Cameron, Texas

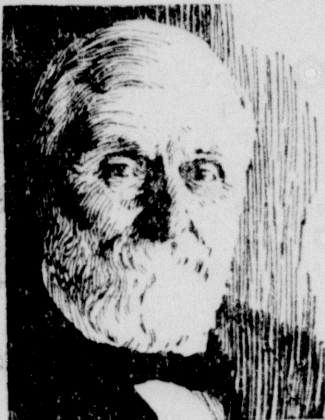
We Wish Everybody A Merry

Christmas

And

A Most Prosperous New Year

Cameron Plumbing Company
M. N. Kilian, Prop



DR. W. B. CALDWELL
AT THE AGE OF 83

"Purges" and "Physics" Bad for Old Folks

While Dr. W. B. Caldwell, of Monticello, Ill., a practicing physician for 47 years, knew that constipation was the curse of advancing age, he did not believe that a "purge" or "physic" every little while was necessary.

To him, it seemed cruel that so many constipated old people had to be kept constantly "stirred up" and half sick by taking cathartic pills, tablets, salts, calomel and nasty oils.

In Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin he discovered a laxative which helps to "regulate" the bowels of old folks. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin not only causes a gentle, easy bowel movement but each dose helps to strengthen the bowel muscles, shortly establishing natural "regularity." It never gripes, sickens

or upsets the system. Besides, it is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take.

If past fifty, buy a large 60-cent bottle at any store that sells medicine or write "Syrup Pepsin," Monticello, Illinois, for a FREE SAMPLE BOTTLE and just see for yourself.

**Dr. Caldwell's
SYRUP
PEPSIN**

Santa's Little Mothers



DOCTOR QUILTS PRACTICE: DOUBLES INCOME IN 7 YEARS' POULTRY RAISING

Quitting the practice of medicine in order to make more money from the poultry business and in seven years getting double the clear profit from chickens and turkeys that he had from the practice of medicine, is the somewhat remarkable experience of Dr. S. A. Roanoke, who has just finished the marketing of his 1926 crop of 211 turkeys for a total cash price of 1,688.

Dr. Gibson and his better half are recognized by their neighbors and the poultry dealers of Ft. Worth as among the outstanding authorities on the raising of poultry in Fort Worth trade territory.

Their story of profits from poultry this year should be encouraging to the farmers who have not yet felt the urge

to go into poultry raising as a means of assuring a set income from farm operations. In the first place it may be said that Dr. Gibson had 195 acres rented to a cotton farmer this year and his income from that source was \$840—a pretty fair rental value which shows that the renter was a pretty fair farmer.

But that \$840 pales into insignificance when compared with the income from turkeys and chickens.

Starting the year with 20 turkey hens and two toms, Dr. Gibson raised 211 turkeys for market from a total of 300 baby turks, the others being killed when lightning struck a poultry house. These turkeys ranged over 25 acres of land during the 8 months they were grazing to maturity. They were fed 65 bushels of corn costing

\$32.50 from the time they were hatched in April and May to the time they were sold for Thanksgiving and Christmas use. When sold they brought 37c a pound—and were remarkably large specimens of the Mammoth Bronze breed.

But the Gibsons do not even depend on turkeys alone. They diversify in their poultry raising. Last year with 850 white leghorn hens they sold eggs for a total income of \$3,200. This is not all. They bought 1,500 day-old baby chicks early this year and at 10 weeks old sold enough young roosters as frying chickens to bring in \$455. From the baby chicks they retained 711 pullets for which they later received \$711—a total of \$1,166 from the 1,500 baby chicks. The total cost for chicks and feed was \$480, giving the Gibsons a clear profit for their little labor of \$686.

Dr. Gibson declares that turkeys are the easiest profit for any farmer as they raise themselves and are no trouble whatever.

COLORED CHURCH NOTES

Please give me a space in your paper, the Cameron Herald. We had on Sunday a lovely time tending for good spiritually, but hope to do better in the future than in the past.

Our church is growing, and the Oak Ridge Baptist Church is also. Rev. A. E. Aylee was called as pastor. The prayers of all are urged. God is superhuman and without him, nothing can be done. We are hoping that in 1927 all churches will be more successful than in 1926. Three deaths occurred in our community in 1926: Della Malone, Dan Williams, and Theresa McCulleugh.

Rev. W. M. Palmer, Pastor.

Vincent's Wonderful New Treatment gives quick and permanent relief. Used at home, harmless and easy to administer, thoroughly tested and positive in results. Entirely DIFFERENT and not to be confused with other preparations on the market. A scientific formula by a man who KNOWS and sold on a money-back-guarantee for only \$3.00. It's the right medicine. You'll say so too when you try it. Information and instructions free. Write,

VINCENT LABORATORIES
Texarkana, Ark-Tex.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

And Good Cheer To All

We feel that we could not enjoy the approaching Holiday Season if we did not take this opportunity of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciation to you for the many favors bestowed upon us in the life of our business. Were it not for your loyalty and faithful patronage and desire to place your business with us, the writing of this would not have been possible.

May our actions always merit your confidence and may you continue to visit our store and let us enjoy that pleasure which you have brought to us so many times.

Permit us to wish you and yours a very Happy Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Posey's Model Bakery

Cameron

Cameron's First Bakery

Texas



Christmas Joy To All

Not only because it is the Honored Custom but because of our appreciation for your patronage which has made our business so successful during the year 1926. We earnestly wish for you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous Happy New Year.

J. T. Parma

Cameron, Texas

Greetings To Our Friends

To our many Friends and Customers everywhere we wish for you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous 1927.

Remember that we always have a complete line of all kinds of hardware and farming implements.

For the last minute shopper we still have a big line of toys and gift articles for your selection.

A. J. Matocha & Company

Cameron

Near Santa Fe Depot

Santa Hitching Up



Remember the Animals When Christmas Comes

AND let us, especially at Christmas, remember that animals are worthy of numbering among our friends and companions, since they were the companions of the Christ child in the lowly stable at Bethlehem. Because they are our friends, we must do all we can to make them happy. This we can do at all times, and at such a special season of gladness let us share with them our joy and happiness. You know how a dog, for instance, can show his happiness and can express his gratitude for kindly attention, and also how, alas, too often, he shows his

fear of bad treatment! They can also feel pleasure, and it is only right—just as we hate giving pain to our human friends—that we should avoid anything which may hurt our animal companions.

Let every living thing, if possible, share in the joys of Christmas! Do something to make it a happy time, at least, for every living thing with which you can have anything to do. And by so doing we can all try to make it a season of real loving-kindness to one and all. Let us be determined that every living being with whom we have anything to do—our human friends and our "lower brethren"—shall be, somehow, the happier because of what we—you and I—have been able to do for them. You re-

member that Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto Me." (Matt. 25:40.)—Our Dumb Animals.

Remember the Needy

Remember the ones whom Santa is likely to forget.

The Table Sweeper Is a Suitable Present

The crumbing of a table has always seemed to me a rather awkward procedure. Even after the old-fashioned brush and tray disappeared, in favor of a smooth metal scraper that carried the crumbs briskly before it, it always seemed bothersome to me to have to make room at the edge of the table for the maid to hold her crumb tray, in order to gather the crumbs into it. And now a better way has been found to clear a table quickly and quietly of the crumbs that have gathered there, without the use of any tray at all, or of elbowing one's guests sideways while the crumbing goes on.

This new device is a miniature carpet sweeper, which works in exactly the same way the full-size carpet sweeper does on the floor. It rolls along on little rubber-tired wheels and silently gathers up every crumb into its small metal interior. There isn't any need for the cumbersome tray or the scraper, with perhaps some of the crumbs going onto the floor or into handy laps. Every crumb vanishes as the little sweeper passes over it.

These pretty little crumbers are finished in bright or dull nickel plate, in bright or dull copper, in plated silver, or in ivory enamel. Some of them are plain, others are etched in simple designs, and there is one in ivory enamel that is etched in blue. All have hinged covers and removable brushes, and are easily and quickly emptied.

Because of their novelty and their attractive appearance and usefulness, these crumb-sweepers seem to me admirable Christmas gift material.—Margaret Bruce.

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CAMERON FEDERATION OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Mrs. Ben Atkinson, temporary chairman, Mrs. Joe Denson, temporary secretary. Mrs. Love read the Constitution which was adopted by articles. Time of meeting for election of officers was set for the 5th Monday in January in the basement of the Methodist church at 3 o'clock. Prayer by Mrs. Triggs. Adjournment. Object of Federation: first, to bring

the women of all Christian churches into close fellowship. Second, to band the women of these churches together for the promotion of the common good of our city.

The first meeting was in the Sunday School annex of the Baptist church.

For Sale—A few choice good blooded White Leghorn Cockerels. Price \$2.50 each. 33-2t

Edwin York.

WANTED

Men and Ladies to sell Cameron Mutual Life Insurance, if interested see or write C. W. L. Schaeg, Box 395, Cameron, Texas. 8t

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

One red muley heifer about two years old. Gone from pasture near Cameron. Reward for any information or recovery. See Flinn at the Cameron Herald office. 1t



Christmas

With the advent of another Joyful Christmas Season we take this opportunity to acknowledge the obligations we are under to the people of Cameron and Milam County, because the steadfastness of our friends is one of our most valued assets. With passing years we are brought to a fuller realization of our obligations to the people whom we claim as patrons. And we wish here to assure you that we are thankful and planning for you in the hope that we may fully merit your good will and patronage.

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year is the wish to you at this glad Christmas Season. Through the days to come we will be striving to make our service such as to give complete satisfaction and to show you those added courtesies and considerations to impress you with our desire to aid in making another year a Happy and Prosperous one.



Our
Greetings
To
You--

To our friends and customers we extend the greetings of the season.

For the patronage we have received during 1926 we are duly thankful and we wish to express our appreciation at this time for the many favors shown us. Our aim is to serve you better in the days to come than in the days past by always giving you the highest possible prices for your produce and we shall spare no effort to render you even better service in 1927 than was possible in 1926.

And to our friends everywhere and to all whom these greetings come we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Peter Company

Cameron

W. H. Shipp, Manager

Texas

Coca-Cola

A Merry Christmas--

Santa Claus may not "cut much ice" with a lot of folks but we sincerely trust that Christmas may mean to you what it did to you as a child.

As we recount over our years of pleasant association with the good people of Cameron and Milam County we find cause of good cheer.

We send you the Season's greetings and our sincere thanks for your patronage and your good will.

Coca-Cola Bottling Co.

CAMERON, TEXAS

LARGE COTTON CROPS MEAN SMALL PRICE FOR GROWERS AND GREAT ECONOMIC LOSS

BY VICTOR H. SCHOFFELMAYER

Agricultural Editor of The News
The havoc wrought by the biggest crop ever grown in the United States has centered the attention of the whole country upon cotton and its recurrent problems.

To show the very relationship between acreage, yield and price, several charts have been prepared by the agricultural department of The News two of which appear with this article and tell their own story.

The enormous cotton crop of 18,618,000 bales for 1926 is the direct result of the excessive planting of 47,653,000 acres throughout the South. That danger already existed in 1925, when the South planted 46,053,000 acres to cotton and in spite of a drought produced 16,106,000 bales.

Twenty years ago the South planted about 32,000,000 acres to cotton and this year's acreage shows an increase over that figure of 15,209,000 acres.

Although the price last year dropped 4c a pound, or from 22c to 18c, and economists, bankers and agricultural leaders warned against the planting of another such huge acreage, the warnings were unheeded and 1,600,000 or more acres were planted than in 1925, resulting in a deluge of cotton and a price of 11c a pound and below.

Research shows that since the war the cost of raising cotton is approximately 20c a pound, which, according to the large chart on this page, means that at least four American cotton crops raised since 1919 were grown at a loss.

Expansion of Cotton

The greatest expansion of cotton acreage in the last twenty years, and especially in the last ten years, has taken place in the States west of the Mississippi River, chief among them Texas and Oklahoma. Since 1916 the cotton acreage west of the Mississippi River has increased from 17,997,000 acres to 29,554,000 acres in 1926, or an increase of 11,557,000 acres in ten years. The States east of the Mississippi River in the same time have added only 690,000 acres to their cotton acreage of 1916 which then was 16,963,969

and this year is 17,653,000 acres. The excess which contributed to this vast increase will be dealt with in a subsequent article.

The biggest and most steady increase in the South's cotton acreage has been since 1921, when a price of 13c a pound had cut the acreage from 35,878,000 in 1920 to 30,509,000 the next year. Immediately this price advanced 3c a pound and every year thereafter saw an increase in the crop of approximately 2,000,000 bales from the low total of 7,954,000 bales in 1921.

The three small crops of 1921, 1922 and 1923 were largely due to extensive insect damage over large areas of the cotton belt. The South-eastern States then got their real acquaintance with the boll weevil and prices remained attractive for several years. As the acreage climbed steadily beyond the 40,000,000 mark the danger of an excessive crop became correspondingly greater, with the inevitable result now known to every one.

Corns

Lift Off—No Pain!



Doesn't hurt one bit! Drop a little "Freezone" on an aching corn, instantly that corn stops hurting, then shortly you lift it right off with fingers.

Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of "Freezone" for a few cents, sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the foot calluses, without soreness or irritation.

Texas Increases Acreage

In 1900 Texas planted around 7,000,000 acres to cotton. By 1910 the acreage rose to 10,000,000 by 1913 to 12,000,000, by 1923 to 14,000,000, by 1925 to more than 17,000,000 and by 1926 to approximately 18,363,000 acres harvested.

An examination of the accompanying Texas chart will show the increase in acreage and yields and the corresponding price to the growers. It is an object lesson which should sink deep into the consciousness of every Texas farmer who can not fail to see the fatal relation between excessive acreage to price.

If it costs 20c a pound to raise cotton then the crops which paid the farmers in the last twenty years have been those of 1916 with 11,450,000 bales, 1917 with 11,302,000 bales, 1918 with 12,041,000 bales, 1919 with 11,421,000 bales, 1922 with 9,760,000 bales, 1923 with 10,140,000 bales and 1924 with 13,628,000 bales. The prices for these seven crops ranged from 20c to 35c a pound, thus very definitely establishing a relationship between size of crop and price.

Cutting Cotton Acreage

Each excessive cotton crop is followed by a low price and by a very drastic cut in the cotton acreage, as the charts show. The bumper crop of 1914, which brought 6c a pound, when 16,135,000 bales were grown in the South, was followed by a cut of 5,420,000 acres and a rise of 5c a pound in the price.

The next big crop of 1920, when 13,440,000 bales were grown and the price dropped from 35c a pound to 13c a pound was followed by reduction of 5,369,000 acres and the price rose 3c a pound.

After that the prices increased steadily till 1923, when 31c a pound was the average, but since then there has been a steady decline till the present low level, but all that time the acreage increased.

The two foregoing acreage reductions show that another big reduction in acreage is due and if it is at the same rate it would mean a reduction of approximately one-seventh of the previous total. It may be more, and it would seem as if it would have to be much greater than any previous reduction to bring correspondingly better prices.

It should be remembered that one

of the largest cotton crops in the history of the South was that of 1914, when a total of 16,135,000 bales was grown on 36,832,000 acres, or some 10,000,000 acres below this year's acreage.

That the acreage planted has much to do with the price of the crop goes without saying, all of which gives farmers and landlords, bankers and credit merchants an opportunity to exercise a measure of control over excessive acreage, which in no single instance has ever made anyone any money.

If you suffer from sore gums, bleeding gums, loose teeth, foul breath or from pyorrhea in even its worst form we will sell you a bottle of Leto's Pyorrhea Remedy and guarantee it to please you or return money. E. O. SCHILLER.

A MATTER OF MONEY



He—I'm going to give you a Christmas present this year that no money can buy.
She—I prefer one that some money can buy.

Faulty Elimination

Should Be Corrected—Good Elimination Is Essential to Good Health.

If you would be well, see to your elimination. Faulty kidney action permits toxic material to remain in the blood and upset the whole system. Then, one is apt to have a tired, languid feeling and, sometimes, a toxic backache or headache, and often some irregularity of secretions, such as scanty or burning passages. More and more people are acclaiming the value of Doan's Pills, a stimulant diuretic, in this condition. For more than forty years Doan's have been winning favor the country over. Ask your neighbor!

DOAN'S PILLS
60c

Stimulant Diuretic to the Kidneys
Foster-McLarn Co., Mfg. Chem., Buffalo, N. Y.

Notice!

SHOOTING OF FIREWORKS IN FIRE LIMITS PROHIBITED

This is to give notice that the ordinance prohibiting the shooting of fireworks in the fire limits which includes the mercantile area will be enforced.

The City Marshall and his assistants will enforce this ordinance, as has been the custom of the city government.

Danger of fire is too great and property and life too valuable to permit the shooting of fireworks in the business blocks.

The city asks the co-operation of the citizens in guarding against fire and the shooting of fireworks and asks the boys to refrain from this practice. Fireworks may be discharged in sections outside the fire limits but caution should be used at all times.

Asking the co-operation of all and with due regard for the safety of property and life.

JUDD G. DAVIS

Mayor, City of Cameron.

To Our Friends and Patrons

--Good Times to All

May you have the best and happiest Christmas this year that you have had in all your life. We say this with Gratitude and Thankfulness to our friends who have contributed to our success this year. Your kindness has been appreciated.

We trust our service to you has been as satisfactory as your business has been to us.

WE WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
MOST PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR IN 1927



**Decker
Motor
Co.**

Dodge Cars Are Better!

Cameron, Texas

Compliments of the Season

MINDFUL of the season, and our many friends and customers in the community, we take this opportunity of conveying to all an expression of appreciation, not only for the business entrusted to our institution, but for the splendid and gratifying confidence so generously bestowed upon us.

That your Christmas may be a day of delight, and that the New Year may bring you full measure of happiness and prosperity is our earnest wish.

Joe J. Michalka

STUDEBAKER DEALER

JOE LEE COMMUNITY IS ASTIR OVER AMATEUR RADIO SET THAT PICKS UP NEIGHBORHOOD TALK

By a freak of the atmosphere or some principle of radio that is not generally known, Buford Young and several other farmers of Joe Lee community, ran upon a way to tune the radio in on all conversation within a radius of a half mile on Tuesday, Dec. 14.

This marvelous development has set the folks of Joe Lee community to talking and folks are afraid to gossip about each other. One farmer said that in the future he would be afraid to cuss his mule for fear that folk with radio sets would be listening in.

Buford Young was tampering with his radio and winding a set in an effort to make a three tube radio outfit similar to some pictures he had seen in a magazine. He got the coil wound backwards, or something happened because the finished radio would not tune in on any station. However, without any tuning whatever it brought in a strange lot of noise and racket.

While he and several others were tinkering with it, over the loud speaker in clear notes came a man's voice. "Will Bronche's mule is out," said the voice. They recognized it as the voice of Allen Warren who lives about a half mile away. They continued to listen to Mr. Allen talk to his wife and presently the children came home from school and told the folks that some more wood was going to be needed at school soon.

The radio "bugs" decided that it was a wire or counter-poise running under the radio aerial that brought in the voices, because by moving this they could pick up conversations from all of the telephone lines without touching the telephone lines. Then they turned the wire toward the house of G. W. Young about a half mile away in another direction. The Youngs had a lot of company and all were seated in a room discussing various things. Everything that was said by the group came in over the loud speaker clearly and distinctly.

The neighbors were called in and everyone got to experimenting with the affair. Some went to a house nearby and gave a radio program, signing off with a cow bell and imitating the Fort Worth station. As an experiment Joe Archer read an article in the Tem-

ple Telegram about the airplane traveling two miles a minute to Dallas and this was heard distinctly over the radio.

It was found that voices could be heard when spoken in a closed room but voices out in the open air could not be picked up by the radio.

Whether the strange operation of the radio is a freak of atmosphere due to the freezing weather, a freak echo or whether it is an established fact that is not generally known with amateurs is puzzling the group of ra-

dio bugs in Joe Lee. They say that it ought to be against the law to have such a radio set and they are going to investigate and see if it is not already against the law before they go any further.

Local students of the scientific side of radio said Saturday night that no explanation could be given for the phenomena as far as they knew but that an examination of conditions and a more specific investigation into just what there is to the reports from Joe Lee may solve the question. The chief interest here centered upon the possibilities that would arise if such radio sets are possible and may be had in any home—Temple Telegram.

Our Greetings To You

May these greetings find you happy and contented with the spirit of the 1926 holidays.

We are thankful for the blessings of the year and we sincerely appreciate the many favors extended to us by our friends everywhere and to all to whom these greetings come we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A. W. ESSLINGER

Cameron, Texas

A Merrie Melodie of Yuletide

To My Friends:

This is just a simple little message of good wishes and good cheer, sent to wish you the compliments of the season—a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

In a review of the business given me I am pleasantly reminded of the values and favors received from you and I want to assure you that this business has been greatly appreciated. I trust that you with my other good friends and customers, have received a generous portion of prosperity during 1926.

So here is wishing you and yours the Merriest kind of Christmas and a New Year full of Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

Sincerely Yours,

F. F. Reid

UNFATHOMABLE

WHO can measure the spirit of Christmas—who define it? Born twenty centuries ago beneath the stars, it is neither jollity, contentment, nor conviviality. It is, in part, the sensing of universal brotherhood—the stimulating of good-will to men the world over.

The spirit of Christmas came on the beams of Bethlehem's star, with the accompaniment of the angels' song. While man lives that spirit cannot die.

It should inspire heartier co-operation with every effort of our fellows to achieve; it should be the spark awakening within us that which no creed can define; enabling us to hear the sweet voice of the Babe in the Manger, the firm voice of humble men; and the heartening voice of the Man who, upon the Mount, gave to life its beatitudes. . . . Let us catch the spirit of Christmas.—W. D. Pen-nypacker.

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Christmas Legend

In many countries of the world there still exists a belief that those born on Christmas day have the power of healing by the "laying on of hands," and also possess second sight.



(The story of a woman who had lost the greatest thing in life—faith in her fellowmen—and how it came back to her at Christmas time.)

HULDA POTTSFELD was very unhappy. For two months she had fretted herself because a sum of money, which she had invested had been lost. She had entrusted it to an old friend of her girlhood in a nearby city and when the news came that the money was lost Hulda made up her mind then and there that all humanity was alike—eager and ready to cheat even its own friends if there was a chance. She grew more bitter and sullen each day and withdrew herself almost entirely from the circle of friends that she had known so long. She never stopped to think that even without this amount she could still live in comparative ease; that there was nothing in reason she would have to deny herself as the income she still had was quite large. Blindly she shut her eyes to all this and would not al-



low herself to think of her many blessings or to frame even the slightest excuse for the friend who had failed.

Now, with Christmas approaching, she grew even more bitter than usual. "I'm not going to do a single thing this year," she repeated to herself over and over. "Why should I, anyway, after my great loss?"

So when the Ladies' Aid called for an offering for the annual entertainment and Christmas baskets to be given to the poor she was ready with her answer. But when they left hurriedly after her curt refusal she was more unhappy than ever. "No one seems to have any sympathy for my great misfortune," she wailed to herself. "What a cruel world it is; no one seems to care."

The window where she sat brooding opened out on Arbor street. Soon after the Ladies' Aid left she looked out to see that some one else was coming up the steps. This time it was a young girl and Hulda sniffed to herself as she saw her: "Another who comes seeking," she said under tightened lips.

But the young girl who entered had not come begging. Instead, she had come to tell Hulda that she was the daughter of the man to whom Hulda had entrusted her money and that she had heard that Hulda was in need—that her loss had left her stranded. Her father had been ill for several months, crushed by the failure of his hopes, all of which was due to the treachery and deceit of his partner in business. He was now better and things were beginning to look brighter. There was every hope that no one would lose a dollar. In the meantime the girl had come to offer Hulda some money from her own earnings—she was private secretary to some big man in the city.

After the girl left Hulda sat huddled in her chair. God! how selfish she had been—how blind—how ungrateful! Great tears trickled slowly down her cheeks, tears that carried away forever the bitterness and selfishness that had been in her heart of late. The world, after all, was a wonderful place and its people were wonderful people!

Making her way to the phone, she picked it up with hands that trembled and called for the president of the Ladies' Aid.

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Appropriate

Hubby—What kind of a tree shall I get for Christmas?
Wifey—A fir tree might help suggest a suitable present for me.

WALDEN'S Cameron Business College Opens Monday JAN. 10

OFFERS A GOLDEN HARVEST TO AMBITIOUS MEN AND WOMEN IN DAY OR NIGHT SCHOOL

Why sit around and wish for more money? Why not make your money? For a remarkably low sum you will receive expert training in the modern methods of Business that will help you make more money immediately.

An expert Stenographer, Typist, Bookkeeper or Show Card Writer is always in demand, at a good salary.

These money-making and success-building courses are now offered you, at home, on easy monthly or weekly payments, and at one-tenth of their usual total cost.

You can wear—diamonds—with the money you save by getting your business training—at home—under Walden, the well known business college expert. Nothing better elsewhere, at any price.

SHORTHAND-TYPEWRITING

Walden will put you through the entire system of Shorthand in four weeks—night school—after which comes constant reviews—speed practice—business correspondence and office methods.

A BUSINESS VOCABULARY

For forty years—Walden has been working on; getting together—from every available source—a list of the most used and useful business words. And today he offers you—for stenographic, business or social purposes—condensed list of words—that will make up 95 per cent of all the words you will ever need as a stenographer, typist, bookkeeper or conversationalist.

BOOKKEEPING-TYPEWRITING

You will be thoroughly trained in journalizing; finding the debits and credits; posting; taking trial balances, making out balance sheets, business statements—showing the losses and gains—resources and liabilities—of the business—the net gain or loss and the present worth of the proprietor or partners.

You will learn how to keep the cash book, sales book, invoice book, purchase book and ledger—how to open and close books; admit or retire a partner and how to change from single to double entry bookkeeping. You will learn how to keep, in an up-to-date manner all of the above books, and how to combine them all into one book. A special column journal—which is the modern method of accounting.

Your thorough training, will enable you to adapt your knowledge—to any and all lines of bookkeeping. You will learn to "know" the "how," "when" and "why" of doing things in bookkeeping.

Salesmanship Psychology. Why be just an average man? The Walden-Knox Course in Salesmanship, Personal Efficiency, Business Leadership, Human Nature, Character Analysis, Selling Strategy, Business Building Salesmanship and Executive Training—will put you above the average man at once. This course will put punch in your talk, ambition in your heart, vision in your plans, progress in your blood and dollars in your pocket.

Leave the Untrained Crowd Behind. It will make you a salesman, a better salesman, a better business man, a better clerk, a better helper in any and all lines. It will lay the foundation for a greater future earning power, ranging from \$150, to \$200 or \$500 per month, and from \$5,000 to \$10,000 or more per year. It will make you more successful in all your undertakings—the pride of your friends, and envied by those who were not wise enough to grasp this unusual opportunity.

The Sure Way To Higher Pay. Master this course, or any that we offer, and your success gaining powers will be increased from 100 per cent to 500 per cent or more. The net gain from your increased earning power will pay the cost of this course many times, the first year following your graduation.

SHOW CARD WRITING

Become an artist show card writer, and good money will be within your easy reach. A number of ladies and gentlemen will take this excellent course.

It can be mastered in two or three months and will double the value of any clerk in his house. Suggestions and illustrations on window dressing and advertising are included. This is a very valuable course—to any ambitious man or woman and is equally and easily mastered.

Teachers Commend Walden's Courses and Methods

Nacogdoches, Texas, Aug. 29, 1919

To Whom It May Concern:

We, the undersigned, teachers, have completed courses in Walden's Business College and feel that our time and money were well spent. "Walden's Short and Easy Way" gives thorough preparation for desirable positions.

Joe R. Day, Mrs. Joe R. Day, (Miss) Jennie Wever, Mrs. N. B. Lee
A Master in Commercial Education

To All Ambitious Men and Women:

Having had experience as a merchant, and also as a salesman, I think I am in a position to judge of the merits of Walden's Courses in Salesmanship and Business Efficiency, which I and hundreds of others have recently completed.

"Walden's Short and Easy Way"—"His New Way"—is the finest method in teaching Bookkeeping and Shorthand, that has ever been invented or devised by and teacher or any business college. It enables pupils to complete a course in half the usual time and at a fraction of the usual cost for such training.

I am confident every member of his various classes would subscribe to above.

Cleveland Daspit, Salesman, Houma, La., April 20, 1922

SUCCESS AND PROSPERITY ARE CALLING YOU

Walden's pupils work through the entire shorthand system in three weeks, review it in one week and begin to take dictation, speed practice the fourth week. After six or eight weeks in school you are taking daily dictation, actual business letters—and are producing letters that it takes the pupil four or five months or longer to produce under the Individual Method—the D-I-G it out plan, the usual method.

THE REDUCED RATES

To all who enroll the coming week. Take the short easy Road to Success, a course in Walden's Day or Night School—Monday or Monday night is a good time to enroll but you can enroll at any time.

MAIL COUPON TODAY

Send without obligation particulars of your:

Course

Name

Street

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We finish Stenographers in any System



IT WAS his first Christmas in the city. He could not afford to go home, nor could he have gone if he had had the money. He was clerk in a store, and had to work Christmas Eve till ten o'clock. The last train for his home town left at three in the afternoon. And there was no use going up on Christmas day for just an hour; five hours each way on the train, total fare over ten dollars, for one hour at home; one-third of a week's pay! No, that would be extravagance. So he had sent his mother two pink silk nightgowns as a solace for his first absence from home on Christmas day. He thought the nightgowns would delight her; she had never had a silk one, and from the way that silk ones were displayed in the city shops, he was sure they were the thing to wear. The night gown he had sent her, the hankies he had sent his sisters, and the ties for his brothers, had completely emptied his pockets. He always had been generous, but he enjoyed depriving himself for the happiness of others. His generosity this time, however, had gone too far, for he had nothing left with which to buy a gift for Mrs. Addison. Mrs. Addison was a young widow whom he had met recently in the city. She was a very beautiful woman, and had been most kind to him. He had already been to her small apartment several times to have supper with her and her jolly, foreign-acting father, and sometimes they had all gone to a "movie" together afterwards. But she had never let him pay for their tickets, and he had never done anything to recompense her for her kindness to



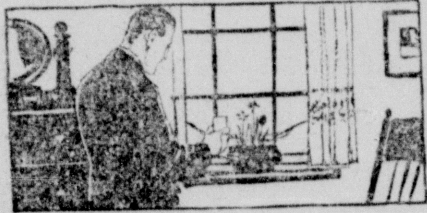
him. "Your companionship is all we want, dad and I," is what she always said, and he believed her. But he really wanted to take her something nice for Christmas. If only he had kept one of the nightgowns he had sent his mother. But no, that would have been too pretentious and too personal. He must give her something very beautiful, to be sure, but nothing extravagant, even if he could. She wouldn't like that. What was he to do?

For lunch the day before Christmas he had a sandwich and a soda at a drug store. That left him 20 minutes to gaze longingly in the shop windows on the avenue. Such pretty things, he thought he had never seen before—jewelry, clothing, novelties for the delight of women. They seemed just made for Mrs. Addison. But a dollar was all the money he could spare, and what could you get for that? The boudoir lamp he wanted cost five dollars, the desk set eight; and even a decent box of candy would be two dollars and a half.

The jeweler's clock warned him he must get back to work, so wearily he turned the corner and hurried to his own store to so grudgingly dole out to others the things he could not buy himself—for her.

That night he returned to his room empty-handed and mournful. But his fatigue was so great, sleep soon quieted his sorrow.

It was late Christmas morning when he awoke, but there was still time to slick himself up and get to Mrs. Addi-



son's for breakfast at eleven. How original of her to invite him for Christmas breakfast, and at eleven, too! He appreciated those extra hours of sleep. She certainly was a dear.

Breakfast at eleven! Why, that meant he would not have to eat again till night, and then just a simple supper. And THAT meant he saved the price of a Christmas dinner—another dollar! But two dollars—what could he do with that, and all the stores closed? His enthusiasm waned as quickly as it came. And then, suddenly, his eyes saw the beautiful flowers he was watering. They were paper white narcissus he had bought a few weeks before at the "five and ten." The four bulbs and the bowl had cost only a quarter, and here they were with two beautiful sprays of fragrant bloom and one fat bud just ready to break its covering. Their fragrance filled the room. Their beauty would grace any home; yes, even hers. His Christmas shopping problem was solved. He would buy some candy at the corner drug store, and give it with the flowers he had grown himself. Oh, what a jolly breakfast party they would have!

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An Ill Omen

In the Balkans it is believed that to die on Christmas Day is of ill omen as regards one's place in the after-death life.

A Christmas Dish

Eels baked and rolled in laurel leaf are a favorite Christmas dish in Italy.

A Merry Christmas To One and All

Uncle John's Last Annual

Friends of Mr. John M. Tucker who died suddenly at his home in this city November 16th, 1924 have requested the publication of his last Christmas message written for his friends and appearing in the 1923 Christmas edition of the Herald. For many years

it was Mr. Tucker's custom to write a Christmas message to his friends. This last message is largely reminiscent and will be read again with pleasure by many friends:

"Not many generations ago where you now sit encircled by all that em-

belishes, civilized life, the rank thistle nodded in the wind and the wild fox dug his hole unscared. Here lived and loved another race of beings. Beneath the same sun that rolls over your heads the Indian hunter pursued the panting deer. Beneath the same moon that smiles for you the Indian lover wooed his husky mate."

This is an extract from one of the many classic orations delivered back

in the days of Washington and Jefferson by the superbly intellectual giants of the early American history and contained in McGuffies fourth reader which was the one used in my time but now almost obsolete.

Among the numerous old songs of boyhood recollections, many of which also have gone out of existence, was one entitled "Twenty Years Ago,"

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J. R. (Bob) Phillips
GENERAL BLACKSMITHING

Farmers Work and Horseshoeing Given Special Attention

Located in Frank Monroe Mule Barn

CAMERON, TEXAS

For Those You Love Best--

Protection For Those We Leave Behind Us

Insurance is a Guarantee of Protection for Those we leave behind us and a Policy in This Company is Evidence of good faith with those you love best of all.

In the brief span of years allotted to you there is time for only the Best.

Few men who die leave enough in earthly wealth to protect those he leaves behind. Some accumulate while the vast majority of men though they live honorable lives are unequal to the struggle of circumstance.

INSURANCE equalizes opportunity for all men. It is the safe way. It is the only way you may guarantee protection for those you love best of all. For when your summons comes unless you have made provision for them they must face the unequal struggle without means to provide for them the things they must have to live and get on in the world.

Your circumstances may be better than most men, or your lot may be the common lot, but no matter you have the great privilege of fortifying your loved ones against the day of your departure for our insurance policies bring PROTECTION and insurance within the financial means of all to pay.

Our policies are so fixed that the rates you will be required to pay gives you insurance cheaper than any insurance yet devised for the protection of the home and loved ones.

Our plan of insurance is so arranged that each policy is written with the minimum of cost, in fact so small are the annual premium costs that one does not miss the payments.

Why not one of our policies for a Christmas gift to those whom you love best. Call us and we will be glad to explain our plan to you.

We take this opportunity to extend our greetings for the Holidays. As you gather about your firesides at Christmas time we wish for you happiness and we could plan for you no greater happiness than the assurance of protection that one of our policies will give you and your family.

DR. A. S. EPPERSON, President.

F. E. JACKSON, Vice-President

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Christmas Cards Bring Good Cheer

Little Messengers of Love
Are Gladly Received
by Everybody.

By GERTRUDE WALTON



WHAT value to anyone is a name on a postal card? This card came at Christmas does little more than fill our waste baskets. There is seldom a greeting saved to refer to after a day or so. This is my first cardless Christmas. If I can send no more than a card to my friends I shall send nothing. Laura Lee declared during an afternoon's shopping trip with her neighbor, Mrs. Rand.

"The card may go into the waste basket but the kindly thoughts that the card conveys to the one who receives it and the joy of the sender of the card could not be contained in the largest basket in the world. There are some things that we may not 'scrap,' nor can we afford to cast some things out of our lives. If my disagreeable and harmful manners and habits could be thrown into a scrap heap as easily as a card may be cast there, if the worthy, lovely impulses of the sender could be filed away in my brain-box for reference whenever a previous desire to be kind and unselfish is forgotten and the ugly, selfish part of myself begins to assert its ownership, I would be glad," Mrs. Rand answered kindly.

Two days before Christmas Edith Rand hurried across the street to the Lee home on an errand. The mail man had just left the door as Laura Lee met Edith with a handful of letters and cards.

"Please wait until I look over this card from Jane, the dear. She hasn't written me for ages. Let me see who this one is from. Why from Lena in Cuba! And one from Jack in Canada, and dear old pal Ethel in Mexico. When have I ever heard from Cora Haines? I had lost her whereabouts. Lena is teaching in a mission school. Cousin Jack is in the government's employ and as busy as a bumble bee. We used to get our 'trig' together in college. He would help me while I wrote his English outlines. Dear Ethel says she has established a

school for girls. And here is dear Margaret Lane with her third baby. She is writing this card while watching the baby who is ill. To think they found time to write to me. O, Edith, never have I realized before how happy a name on a card could make one feel. What if no one ever thought to write me? What a discovery to find that our thoughts, our love may be so big while sending a card, for no package is large enough anyway to hold genuine good will and love. The joy these messages have brought me could never be thrown into a waste basket. Please forgive my words the other afternoon. Can you hurry to town with me to buy all the cards they have? It will take a great number to distribute some of the good will and love that is bubbling over in my heart. It is true this joy, peace and love that Christmas means—the things the Babe in the Manger brought—can never be cast into a waste basket.

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On Christmas Day

Keep a lookout for old Santa. He's coming soon to you. He's coming to the little ones. And to the big folks, too.

Name "Santa Claus,"

Where It Came From

"Santa Claus" is a corruption which originated apparently in Flanders or possibly among the Dutch, of the name of St. Nicholas, a saint noted for his love of children and his boundless charity. His "day" was perhaps December 8, originally, but since the displacement of Old Father Christmas, the British representation of the Christmas spirit, he is celebrated almost universally as the Christmas Saint.

Christmas Tie

Wife gave him a surprise. A tie made for his sake. 'Twas very like the tie That mother used to make.

—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Large Christmas Trees

The white pines are best for community and church Christmas trees as their size is more adapted to larger spaces. The spruce is one of the most common of Christmas trees.

Guard Against Fire

Careful citizens keep a pallful of water handy under the highly inflammable Christmas tree.

Vincent's Wonderful New Treatment gives quick and permanent relief. Used at home, harmless and easy to administer, thoroughly tested and positive in results. Entirely DIFFERENT and not to be confused with other preparations on the market. A scientific formula by a man who KNOWS and sold on a money-back-guarantee for only \$3.00. It's the right medicine. You'll say so too when you try it. Information and instructions free. Write,

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PEOPLE who call on the inmates of furnished rooms either wait in the hall while the footsteps that brought the means of ingress go upstairs and become responsible for knocks somewhere in the darkness, or go downstairs into oblivion, leaving the caller to a personally conducted tour of exploration for the discovery of "two flights up;—th door."

The top floor at Mrs. Cawthorn's was an exception to furnished room rules, for two of the doors stood wide open all day. The one in front, facing north, disclosed a tiny, desolate room containing a narrow iron bed, a chair, a bureau furnished with meager toilet fittings, a trunk, and a corner curtained off for a wardrobe.

The door opposite disclosed an entirely different interior. In one window a bird in a brass cage sang above blooming plants and in the other an old lady sat in a rocking chair, when she was not peering out into the hall, or leaning over the banisters, or trotting about on visits.

Every morning precisely at 7:45 the door of the north room opened and a little, weakened shabby old man pulled the corner of the trunk forward to keep it so. Then he hung a very small empty aluminum milk can on his wrist, put its cover in his pocket, took up a neatly tied package of refuse and went away.

Mrs. Bascomb got his story from the servant the morning she arrived and found him a case after her own heart. He was Amos Binks; he had lived in that room for ten years.

Christmas drew near and she was very busy making presents and planning surprises and treats among her multitudinous friends, but every time she passed Binks' door her heart ached for him, and so the days passed and it was Christmas Eve.

She had been out shopping all morning; her arms were full of bundles and her heart of plans; but she glanced, as she always did, at Binks' door, and what she saw there brought her to an abrupt stop with tears running down her cheeks. Poor old man, poor old man! On the miserable bureau, among the meager toilet things there stood a Christmas tree, a very small one, and as desolate and bare as the room. The "poor, proud old creature had Christmas in his heart. She would give him a surprise.

She selected the choicest of her purchases and laid them, gayly tied with red ribbons and bits of holly, on the foot of his bed. She hung the stark little tree with bags of candy and all sorts of jolly trifles, chuckling over his surprise and delight as she departed to replenish her stock for tomorrow's festivities. He would never know. Bless him.

That morning as he was going out the little woman with three children had popped her head out of the front parlor door and asked if she might leave her Christmas tree in his room so the children would not see it.

"It's the last place in the world anyone would look to find a Christmas tree," she said.

Binks had borrowed three lumps of sugar from her when he had a cold and he had worried about having to buy a whole half pound to return it. This would cancel the obligation.

"If you don't make any mess," he said sourly and went out.

He had forgotten all about the tree when he returned that evening and he was even more than usually dour and bitter, for he could not avoid giving presents to the children of his partner and the janitor of the office building. It was one of the penalties of wealth. Thank goodness, no one at the rooming house had the ghost of an idea that he wasn't poor Amos Binks, although he was Amos Binks, the millionaire.

He stopped in the doorway of his room in a paralysis of amazement when he saw the tree and the presents, and then a smile infinitely sly and sneering broke over his face. He glanced at Mrs. Bascomb's door; it was closed, but he understood and chuckled. He heard steps coming stealthily upstairs, the little woman coming for the tree! He stripped it of its decorations with hasty fingers and carried it out to her.

"It's in my way," he said testily. The day after Christmas he deposited to his own credit at the bank \$6.50 which he had intended to spend on Christmas presents until Mrs. Bascomb gave him enough to go round, and keep a nice warm pair of socks for himself.

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Our catalogue will be helpful and will be sent on request of parent or guardian.

We have offered the prizes in this contest with the hope of encouraging the planting of trees in Texas—trees for fruit, shade and beauty, and the pleasure of giving prizes to boys and girls, as well as schools.

A hearty response on the part of teachers, school authorities, parents, and pupils will be appreciated, and we are sure will be of real benefit to the State.

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RS. TIMOTHY TITUS was hanging out the clothes in the keen December wind and Mr. Frost was freezing them stiff as fast as possible. A clothespin in her mouth did not prevent the good woman from singing "I Want to Be an Angel," and her daughter Anna, as she brought out the rest of the wash, hoped that the desire thus expressed would soon be granted. For it must be confessed that the life of the Titus family was not a happy one. Care had written wrinkles on the mother's face and also upon her disposition. Nothing could have looked sweeter in Christmas prospect to the Titus household than something angelic, but all of them, from the old man down to Peggy, felt that it depended upon her; so that this strain from the back yard had a note of hope in it, over against the probability of another wintry and bitter holiday.



Mr. Timothy Titus shared this hope from the standpoint of the trials of his winter vacation. During the rest of the year and while it was good natured out of doors he was a gardener, but with the advent season he became an unappreciated piece of furniture about the Titus home.

The fact was that Samantha Titus was, at heart, a hopeful, kindly and generous woman. The principal reason of present scarcity in her household had been her goodness to the sick and poor within her reach. A neighbor had remarked upon her liberality by saying that "Manthy Titus gave away in the winter all that Tim Titus could get out of summer," and that "she not only gave away all the profits, but was ready to give away all the apostles besides." Her song on that cold day did not indicate that she felt satisfied with herself, but rather that something of Christmas longing was really stirring within her.

Anyway, the wish might have been a prayer, for it was answered. As Anna put it afterward, "It seemed like what happened to the shepherds at Bethlehem." For Mrs. Titus got a new and happy idea in a peculiar way. She had been calling for a Mr. Saxe over the telephone for half the afternoon in vain, in order to collect a washing bill that might slightly improve the Christmas possibilities, when Anna humorously suggested that she might try the saxophone. The joke not only made her laugh, but it brought to her mind the thought that sometimes fortune punishes us for neglecting our relations to others by the failure of the resources that we have depended upon and rewards our use of new and untried means. This thought caused Mrs. Titus to put her pride in her empty pocket and pushed her out upon the flood of affection that reached as far as California. For her brother Sam, who had not heard a word from her for years, received a letter that was stained with a loving tear or two, and it was like a Christmas present for the far-away brother. It provoked a loving expression also, as love always does, and through it the Tituses began a new and relieved history. With Christmas time the burden of care and labor that had pressed so heavily fell off, and the angel that had been under it came out, as the smiling mother dressed old Timothy up for a Santa Claus and was merry with them all.

When Sam heard about it he felt like one of the Wise Men, even if he had hailed from the West, and sent his gifts ahead of him. It was worth the long journey to hear Peggy say that she thought he was the real Santa Claus and to kiss her rosy cheek.

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HA! HA!



Jocular Bug—Hey, Snalley, I bet somebody gives you a speedometer for a Christmas gift!

LIONS CLUB TO SPONSOR CHRISTMAS TREE HERE

TO BE ERECTED ON THE COURT HOUSE LAWN DECORATED WITH COLORED LIGHTS

The Cameron Lions' Club Tuesday, voted to sponsor a community Christmas tree for Cameron. It will be erected on the court house lawn and suitably decorated. On Christmas the lights will be turned on and a massed choir of all the churches will sing Christmas carols. A committee consisting of one member of each church was named by President Webb to arrange details. The committee named is composed of O. M. Smith, C. S. Peyton, F. B. Cable, Dr. Jas. Watson, J. Young and R. P. Jeter.

A committee was also named to cooperate with the History Club in an

effort to get a public health nurse for the schools. This committee is J. C. Martin, T. A. Fisher and Dr. Watson. Inez Evans, Cornelia Gunn, Maurine and Mildred Clinton, Doris Fairleigh and Harriet Flinn furnished excellent musical numbers.

O. M. Smith and C. S. Peyton presented the club with a gavel, made of the cedar from the temporary capital at Old Nashville, made by R. H. Redfield and banded in silver by Mrs. R. H. Johnson, jeweler.

T. A. Fisher made the presentation speech which was eloquent and appropriate.

Message of Good Will

The message of "good will to men," Divinely clean and bright, Shines from the hills of Bethlehem With everlasting light.

Make the Music!

Woe is the winter When shadows linger long; Come, Mister Mockingbird— Sing a Christmas song!

NOT FAIR.

He: Darling, you be my Christmas present and let me be yours.
She: It's customary for a man to give a girl more than she gives him.



What's the Answer?

Wife—Remember that old millionaire wanted to marry me?
Hubby—Yes.
"And how easily you got me away from him?"
"Bet your life I do, ha! ha!"
"Well, he married that Flossie Flapper you used to like pretty well and has just bought her a set of sables for Christmas."

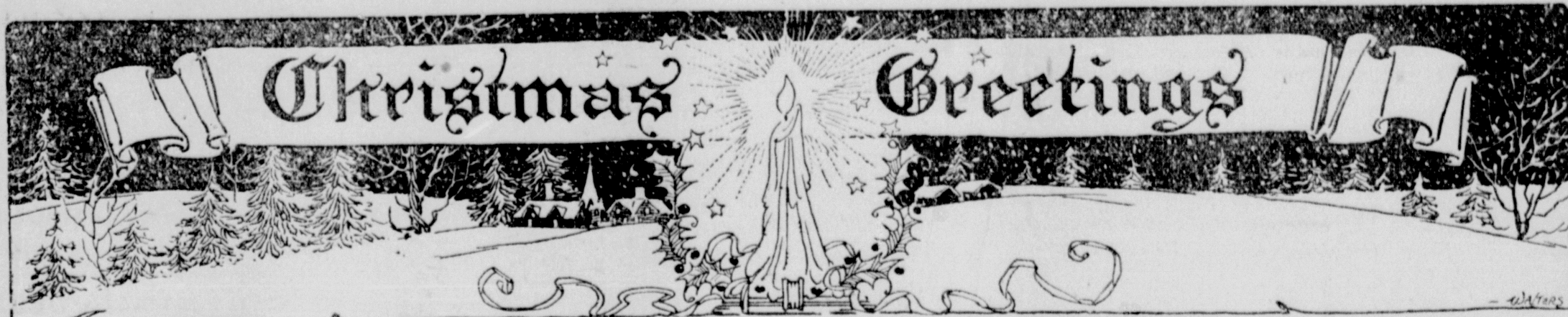
Hard to Figure Out

It is hard to figure out why it is that Santa Claus was not created in the form of a woman.

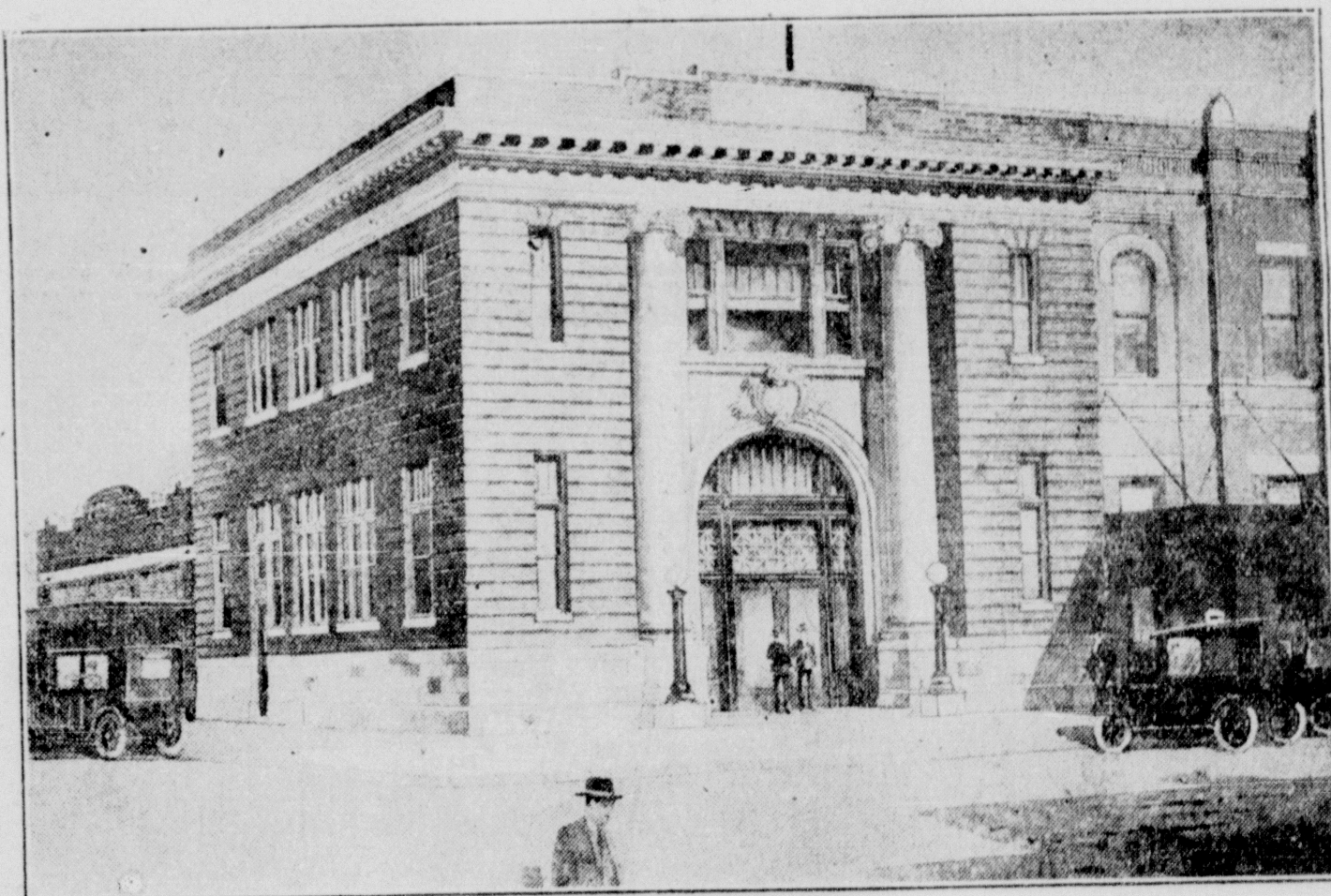
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LET 1927 BE A YEAR OF SAVING FOR YOU

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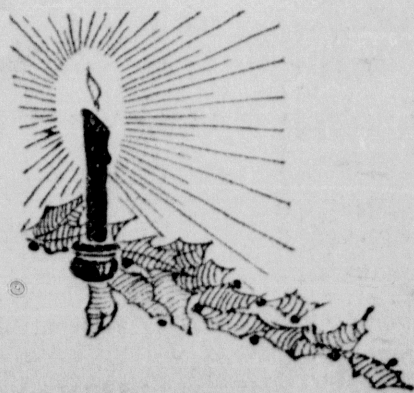
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UNCLE JOHN'S LAST ANNUAL

(continued from page 1, this section)

but still dear to the memory of us old timers. It expresses the feelings of a former pupil to a fellow school mate, Tom, on returning after a lapse of twenty years to his childhood's happy school ground. It was a classic of its kind, full of pathos and sentimentalism. First stanza:

"I've wandered to the village, Tom
and sat beneath the tree,
Upon the old school house play-
grounds, that sheltered you and me
But few were left to greet me, Tom,
and none were left to know
That played with us upon the lawn
just Twenty Years ago.
The old school house has altered some
the bell swings to and fro,
It's music's just the same, dear Tom,
'twas Twenty years ago."

Musing by my fireside this gloomy,
dismal, rainy day, over things that
are passed and gone, and of the year

now nearing its close, such memories
of that distant past, came over me.
In passing it struck me that I did not
have to do any wandering to get a
view of the playground of my first
school days. My home lot today joins
that same old play ground where
from my window I can look out at
recess and interest myself watching
the young high school present day
students, merry and joyous with the
zeal and vigor of youth doing their
stunts and playing their favorite
games on the same old campus where
a half century or more before they
were born my young and foolish ideas
received first lessons in how to shoot
and where with my playmates we too
romped and gambled and had our
fun with our games.

Great changes have come between
these intervals. Not a single remind-
er is left of the spot our memory
cherishes. The ordinary frame weath-
erboarded school house that served
us so well has long since been carted
away. In its stead stands the large
and imposing high school building
and plans being made to add still an-
other larger and better building in the
near future to meet present require-
ments.

The games we played, cat ball, ball
pen, town ball, marbles, etc., have all
been evolved into more strenuous and
scientific amusements. The boys still
play marbles but with no semblance
of the old time seven-up game of
ours. They make it entirely a sport-
ing proposition now, playing altogether
for keeps. That is they draw a
straight line with a circle in the center
of it. The players anti up a marble
each in the ring, roll for the go
(which is very important) then sneak
up on the ring and knock the mar-
bles out. What each one knocks out

he keeps. Our game was played with
a square ring putting a marble on
each corner and an extra large one
in the center, called the middler. Like
home runs in base ball, plumping the
middler from long taw, counted a
score, and was the big feature of the
game. The best players would occa-
sionally perform this feat seven times
in succession which would mean a
complete shut out of his opponent.
But this would happen about as often
as one would catch four aces in a poker
game on the square. But both fetes
can be done. I admit having on rare
occasions accomplished both in my
time. O yes, I learned to play poker
too. Few young men did not that grew
up in those days. I also in time learn-
ed to quit it, for it had proved a cost-
ly experience.

But harking back to those early
school days, those were the happy,
carefree ones, but were they really?
I sometimes wonder if it were given
us the option and power to turn back
the tide of time and live the same
life over would we do it? Some per-
haps would and others would not, de-
pending somewhat upon how smooth-
ly or otherwise the journey had been
for them. Personally, while I am
glad it was given me to live the life
I have, and at the time I have lived
it, and while the long journey so far
has been reasonably and fairly
smooth, burdens, afflictions and other
troubles comparatively light (my one
chief cause for great thankfulness)
still believing as I do, firmly in God
and a future life, I should not care
to repeat the journey. Of course if I
believed that when this life passed
out it would be the end of things
with me, it would be different.

As things are, being here, natural-
ly (as I think all sane persons do)
I want to continue this existence as
long as possible. It has always been
a deep mystery to me how any civil-
ized person of ordinary intelligence
could be an infidel. In the first place
there is a nameless something, im-
planted within us somewhere that
constantly longs for an eternal ex-
istence which gives us faith which
is God's creation teaches the principle
of perpetual life. The sturdy oak
of time for years and years, if left
that weathers the storms and ravages
alone finally dies of old age or dis-
ease as we do. But the tiny acorn, it
drops to mother earth, is by falling
rains and various processes of nature,
completely buried within her bosom
where it remains a little while when
in some mysterious manner it ger-
minates a new life, shooting forth in
tiny sprout that in due course of
time reproduces the parent tree. Why
not the same inscrutable and omni-
potent power take the living germ or
soul within us and transform it into
another and lasting life. Why should
we, made in the image of God him-
self, and endowed with a mind, soul
and intense love of life, be placed here
for the brief span of three score years
and ten, or by reason of great strength
perhaps a little longer, then to pass
out like a lightening bug and be blot-
ted from existence forever? Far bet-
ter had me not lived at all.

As to what or where that future
life will be, is not given to mortal
man to know, but when we have paid
nature's last debt and "This mortali-
ty shall have put on immortality, then
will we know as we are known never-
more to walk alone in the dawning of
the morning when the mists have
cleared away." Wherever or what-
ever it may be the least of my
troubles. Our God is a just and mer-
ciful one and "the deeds done in the
body will be judged and dealt with
accordingly." The conditional prayer
of the skeptic who wails:

"Oh God, if there be a God,
Save my soul if I have a Soul."

Is not in my creed. I have no doubts
or fears.

May I keep the faith, Lord, and
when my "time comes to join the in-
numerable caravan that is marching
on to the pale realms of shade, let me
go not like the quarry slave
scourged to the dungeon, but soothed
and sustained by an unfaltering
trust, approach my grave as one who
wraps the drapery of his couch about
him and lies down to pleasant
dreams."

Having gone out of business and
there being no occasion for keeping
up any further publicity on my part,
I was not expecting to write any more
annuals and had so informed the pub-
lishers. I began this to while away
the time which hung rather heavy
these rainy days, having little idea
what I was going to say but have
just rambled on, following the trend
of my thoughts, jotting them down
as they come off the reel in a loose,
off-hand way, which is my only ex-
cuse for passing this infliction upon
you.

Wishing everybody a merry, happy
Christmas and a peaceful, prosperous
New Year, I will call this a day and
switch off.

J. M. TUCKER.

Keeping Christmas for
a Day; Why Not Always?

ARE you willing to forget what you
have done for other people, and
to remember what other people have
done for you; to ignore what the
world owes you, and to think what
you owe the world; to put your
rights in the background, and your
duties in the middle distance, and your
chances to do a little more than your
duty in the foreground; to see that
your fellow-men are just as real as
you are, and try to look behind their
faces to their hearts, hungry for joy;
to own that probably the only good
reason for your existence is not what
you are going to get out of life, but
what you are going to give to life; to
close your book of complaints against
the management of the universe, and
look around you for a place where you
can sow a few seeds of happiness--
are you willing to do these things,
even for a day?—Then you can keep
Christmas.

Are you willing to stoop down and
consider the needs and the desires of
little children; to remember the weak-
ness and loneliness of people who are
growing old; to stop asking how much
your friends love you, and ask your-
self whether you love them enough to
bear in mind the things that other
people have to bear on their hearts;
to try to understand what those who
live in the same house with you really
want, without waiting for them to tell
you; to trim your lamp so that it will
give more light and less smoke, and
to carry it in front so that your
shadow will fall behind you; to make
a grave for your ugly thoughts, and a
garden for your kindly feelings, with
the gate open—are you willing to do
these things even for a day?—Then
you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to believe that love
is the strongest thing in the world--
stronger than hate, stronger than evil,
stronger than death, and that the
blessed life which began in Bethlehem
nineteen hundred years ago is the
image and brightness of the Eternal
Love?—Then you can keep Christmas.
And if you keep it a day, why not
always?—Frank Herbert Sweet.
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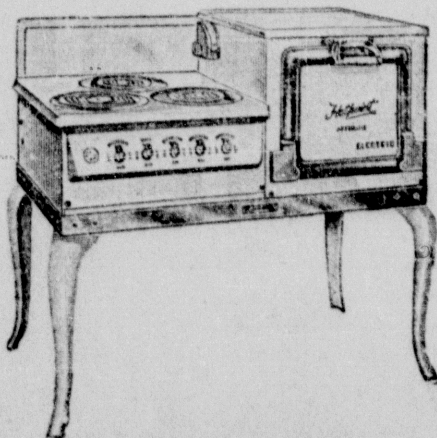
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confidence of buyers of abstracts and as we look over
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measure of happiness during the holidays and a gener-
ous portion of prosperity in the coming year.

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ANNIE STALLWORTH, Manager
Cameron, Texas



All evening she had stood in front of the church, but had made almost nothing. Great numbers of people were coming to the midnight mass, but they all passed by little Juliette with only an annoyed "Non, non, non!" A little later there was almost nobody coming. She could hear the organ playing. Mass had begun.

She would have hurried home but her feet were numb with the cold.



Slipped Quietly Into a Seat of the Large Church.

Besides, she thought, she really ought to go in and say a little prayer for her mother.

She opened the huge door of the cathedral, slipped quietly into a seat of the large church and prayed fervently for her mother and little sister; prayed, too, that she might, somehow, be able to buy them a cake for Christmas!

The heat of the church after the intense cold outside made her drowsy. She went fast to sleep and her head

fell heavily against the shoulder of a man sitting next to her.

The man was an American. He was at first annoyed when he saw the little towseled head with its dirty cap against his coat-sleeve, but on second glance at the pathetic little figure he was overcome with genuine emotion. "Poor little devil," he thought, "wonder what's been your short history and what will it be in the future?" He saw in her dirty little hands the strings of medals and the box of holy cards she had been trying to sell. He reached into his pocket, pulled out two crisp 1,000-franc notes, folded them carefully and placed them on top of the cards.

Almost everyone had left the church when Juliette awakened. Mass was over; all the candles on the altar had been extinguished, the lights of the church were being put out. Juliette rubbed her eyes drowsily and with a start counted her medals to see that no one had taken any while she slept. They were all quite safe. She next turned to her box of cards and her eyes became two large moons. "Two thousand francs, two thousand francs!" She couldn't believe it. It was a miracle! Hadn't she prayed for money to buy her people a Christmas gift? She knelt down again, said a fervent prayer in thanksgiving; then gathered all her things together and ran quickly from the church—past the confiserie shop. It was closed, of course, but the white cake was still in the window. Tomorrow morning she would go there early and buy it—buy every good thing in the shop. And still there would be enough left to buy them all clothes in the after-Christmas sales. She leaped joyously in the air. She did not feel the cold now.

"Merry Christmas," she called to an old lady who passed her. "Merry Christmas to the whole world!"

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Poles Careful Christmas Eve

The Poles have many superstitions in connection with Christmas. They believe that what they do on Christmas Eve they will do all the year around, and therefore they conduct themselves with that prospect in view.

Christmas Games for Whole Family

Amusement That Will Help Fill in Time Following the Big Feast.

By MARTHA BANNING THOMAS



AFTER the excitement of opening gifts has subsided; after the first glory of the Christmas tree has passed, after the turkey and cranberry sauce have been attended to and thoroughly demolished, there comes a pause at twilight time. This pause (provided you are a nice, old-fashioned family) can be happily filled by playing a few simple games which are sure to send the members into shouts of laughter. The fun comes from the solemn way in which grandpa lifts his feet over pillows on the floor—when no pillows are there; how daddy puffs out his cheeks, and blows with all his might at the book-case when he thinks he is facing a candle; how Bill staggers across the room after turning around three times with his head on a cane, and tries to strike a match and light the candle.

Nothing very elaborate, as you can see, but good, wholesome entertainment.

(1) Blindfold daddy, after first facing him towards a lighted candle some distance away. Ask him to turn three times, and then when he thinks he again faces the candle, to go ahead, blindfolded, and blow it out. He never can do it in the world!

(2) Grandpa enjoys sport as much as anyone. Why shouldn't he? If he has not heard of the pillow game, persuade him to try it. Place four pillows in a row on the floor with a foot or two of space between each pillow. Allow grandpa to get his bearings thoroughly, then blindfold him, turn him around and head him to ward the pillows. Ask him to step over them. On no account whatever may he be allowed to "feel" for them with his feet! While he is being turned about, let one of the children quietly remove the pillows. To see the dear old gentleman stepping over imaginary pillows is very amusing,—and he'll be perfectly astounded when you take off the handkerchief from his eyes.

(3) Try this game on Bill. It requires steady nerve and great determination.

Set an unlighted candle with a match beside it on a table. Give Bill a cane at the other side of the room. Tell him to hold it upright in both his hands and then to rest his head

on it, standing in course. He is then to turn rapidly about three times, after which someone takes the cane and Bill reels across the room towards the candle which he attempts to light with the match. It sounds simple, but just try it and see! (Children should not play this game alone, lest they get something afire in their zeal to strike the match.)

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Should Not Be

There should not be, nor is there likely to be, any unpleasant reaction from the Christmas spirit.

When Santa Comes

At Christmas, when Santa Claus comes down the chimney, he usually leaves poor pa up a tree!—Father Sage.

Always Room

Until the time runs out there is always room for more Christmas shoppers.



HIS SCHEME.

I. M. P. Cunius: Making any preparations for Christmas?

Frank Norocks: Yep, I'm looking for a hiding place now.

On Christmas Day

God rest ye, little children; let nothing you affright. For Jesus Christ, your Savior, was born this happy night. Along the hills of Galilee the white flocks sleeping lay. When Christ, the Child of Nazareth, was born on Christmas day. —Dinah Maria Mulock.

Christmas Carolers

Among the many superstitions relating to children born on Christmas day is a belief that they are able to excel in music. They also are credited with possessing abnormal intelligence.

Christmas Greeting

We wish everyone a most enjoyable time this Christmas and wish that the coming year may be the most prosperous one you have yet had.

Your business the past year has been appreciated and we hope that our services have been satisfactory enough for a continuation.

Auditorium Barber Shop

Frank Heitman
W. D. Faver

T. R. Vaughan
Roy Griffith

To Our Friends

With the approach of the New Year we are sincerely grateful as we reflect over the events of the year coming to a close, for the patronage extended to us during the past year has been liberal and it has been a pleasure to serve you.

The Milam County Abstract Company is the oldest business in Cameron. It has seen many years of history in the making. The success it has attained is due to the patronage of the people and the loyalty of its friends.

We sincerely appreciate the many favors of the year and wish for our many friends and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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The POSTMAN and CHRISTMAS



EVER since she had been a child she had thought that the postman was about the most interesting person in the world. He it was who brought all the letters and packages and papers and magazines, who always might be bringing any number of surprises.

To be sure, he often passed the house without leaving anything, but then there was always the chance that he might bring anything.

At Christmas time he was the most wonderful sort of a person, with his bag filled with presents and cards and calendars and letters from friends she was sure would not forget her, and from friends she was so pleased had not forgotten her.

Sometimes he brought just the most delicious mail of all—sometimes he brought a fruit cake, or a box of candy that a friend of hers had made.

So it was that she, Minnie, had always loved postmen in general, and now it seemed as though she were being particularly fond of one postman in particular. He was on their route and he often came in and chatted after the day's work was over.

She had gone to school with him and she had always liked him. The old postman was a dear—no matter how many bundles he was carrying at Christmas time he always seemed to be happy that his load was heavy, because it meant just that much more joy along the route.

But he had retired and now every Christmas they took his present to him and sat and chatted with him and with his wife, who always brought out her Christmas cake to be shared by all.

She had not been displeased when the schoolday friend had been given this route.

Not displeased at all.

Ray was tall and very good-looking. She thought he looked so well in his postman's uniform. And certainly he seemed a little interested in her.

She was not displeased in this.

Not displeased at all.

Christmas Day, he had said, there would be no mail delivery. So she was a little surprised to see him coming down the street and up the steps of their house.

"I wonder if we're going to have mail after all," she said to herself. It hadn't occurred to her that he was not in his postman's uniform, and that he was coming just to see her.

To be sure, he stopped in when he was off duty, but she had never quite felt he was so much interested in her as that he enjoyed the whole family. She did belong to such a nice family, so jolly and cordial and friendly as they all were, and such fun.

And then it was all so clear, as they sat before the fire that Christmas

afternoon, that he was interested in her—very, very much interested in her. More so than she had even thought or hoped or dreamed.

In fact, he told her all about it.

And she was not displeased.

Not displeased at all.

Nor was he displeased.

Not displeased at all.

For she agreed that to be a postman's wife was not such a bad idea, and that, apart from everything else, it would be so particularly nice to know that the postman was going to come to one's house every single day in the whole year—to their own house.

And, as she said, it was such fun being engaged to a postman in the Christmas season.

He had not been too busy to think of her!

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A Christmas Thought

By Tudor Jenks

WHEN mother-love makes all things bright, When joy comes with the morning light, When children gather round their tree, Thou Christmas Babe, We sing of Thee!

When manhood's brows are bent in thought, To learn what men of old have taught, When eager hands seek wisdom's key, Wise Temple Child, We learn of Thee!

When doubts assail, and perils fright, When groping blindly in the night, We strive to read life's mystery, Man of the Mount, We turn to Thee!

When shadows of the valley fall, When sin and death the soul appall, One light we through the darkness see— Christ on the Cross, We cry to Thee!

And when the world shall pass away, And dawn at length the perfect day, In glory shall our souls made free, Thou God enthroned, Then worship Thee.

Dolls Replicas of Peasants

The smallest member of the household, whether of the masculine or feminine persuasion, will delight in amusing dolls which come from central Europe. They are dressed in peasant costumes of felt which have applied designs in many colors. They are exact replicas of peasant children and have the quaintest little faces.

Had Him Guessing

Mr. Wise—What did your mother give you for Christmas?
Miss Guy—Nothing to speak of.—The Parlor Knight.

Cupid, Too

Cupid will ring some Christmas bells, too.

Red Grange Will Play Football In Waco On Christmas Day

Red Grange the galloping ghost of the gridiron will play football in Waco on Christmas Day.

Many football fans in Cameron will

go to Waco on that day for the game. The team sponsored by Grange is making a tour of the South this winter and will be in Dallas on the 19th of December.

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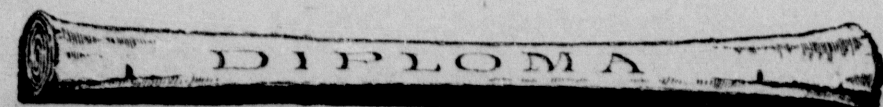
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Cameron, Texas



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

ONCE again the glad time of the year is with us. Children who have been looking forward to Christmas week are filled with the pleasure of anticipation. Will they be disappointed?

Christmas celebrates the coming of a Child into the world, therefore it is essentially a children's holiday.

Of course, the boys and girls around our hearth need consideration, for they must be made happy, but how about the little lads and lasses without fathers and mothers, or whose parents are in poverty? Are they to write in vain to "Dear Santa Claus"? Hundreds of these pitiful letters, scrawled by hopeful chubby fists, are left unclaimed at the post office every year.

Mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles and cousins, our home is no longer the house in which we live, plus the yard or farm surrounding it. The entire neighborhood, town, city, county, state and nation is ours; its inhabitants live in our home. It is our duty, so far as we can, to make every child happy at Christmas, instead of permitting ourselves to get buried selfishly in tissue paper and gay ribbons.

Let's make this holiday season one in which the Christmas spirit, the peace on earth and good will to all men, prevails everywhere. Especially where there are children. So a Merry Christmas to you.—Frank Herbert Sweet.

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That Christmas Night

Like small curled feathers, white and soft.

The little clouds went by,
Across the moon and past the stars,
And down the western sky;
In upland pastures where the grass
With frosted dew was white,
Like snowy clouds the young sheep lay.
That night, that Christmas night,
—Margaret Deland.

Christmas Legend

In many countries of the world there still exists a belief that those born on Christmas day have the power of healing by the "laying on of hands," and also possess second sight.

O, LITTLE CHILD OF BETHLEHEM

By Katherine Edelman

O, LITTLE child of Bethlehem!
Come to the earth today,
Come to a weary, care-filled world
This blessed Christmas Day.

Fill every heart with new-born hope,
Fill every home with cheer,
Bring peace to troubled, burdened souls,
Bring brotherhood more near.

Seek out the weary, worn ones,
The grieved, the hurt, the weak,
And in Thy tender pity bend
A loving word to speak.

Bless those who walked Thy loved ways,
And pity those who strayed,
Bring them within Thy mercy now,
And make them unafraid.

Blot out the hurts and hates and fears
That rent and severed men,
Let understanding's blessed light
Unite their hearts again.

Encircle all the earth with love,
Let holy peace abide,
That all may know in measure full
A happy Christmastide.

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UNFATHOMABLE

WHO can measure the spirit of Christmas—who define it? Born twenty centuries ago beneath the stars, it is neither jollity, contentment, nor conviviality. It is, in part, the sensing of universal brotherhood—the stimulating of good will to men the world over.

The spirit of Christmas came on the beams of Bethlehem's star, with the accompaniment of the angels' song. While man lives that spirit cannot die.

It should inspire heartier co-operation with every effort of our fellows to achieve; it should be the spark awakening within us that which no creed can define; enabling us to hear the sweet voice of the Babe in the Manger, the firm voice of humble men, and the heartening voice of the Man who, upon the Mount, gave to life its beatitudes. . . . Let us catch the spirit of Christmas.—W. D. Pennypacker.

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Super-Silk

She—I don't expect a thing in my stocking this Christmas, you're so stingy lately.

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"THIS man says we are here for the night, and no way out of it. We're twenty-five miles from John's, too. Repairs will have to be brought four miles from Coalton. Those huts down the hill belong to the Loneridge coal mines. The miners will have guests tonight," Mr. Long announced as he drew some tools from his automobile. The mine mechanic who had been procured when Mr. Long had walked to one of the shanties down the long winding hill when his car had refused to go, smiled and informed Mr. and Mrs. Long that he would find a place for them to stay for the night.

It was the afternoon before Christmas, when they were on their way to Mrs. Long's brother John's country home, where the Long children had gone the day before with Mrs. Long's sister's family, to be present at the family Christmas Eve festivities, with a large tree by the fireplace for the families of five brothers and sisters with parents of both Mr. and Mrs. Long. In the car were gifts not only for the Long children but for most of the other relatives. After telephoning from the mine-foreman's office to John's family that they must spend the night at Loneridge, the packages were carried to one of the



better looking huts of the foreign-speaking folks who received them hospitably. During the evening, while the hostess was preparing the meal, the woman by means of signs and unintelligible English made Mrs. Long understand that there was little Christmas festivity in the mining town.

"This woman has shown me courtesy and kindness; here is an opportunity to prove some Christmas courage and character," Mrs. Long whispered to her husband as plans began percolating through her mind. Soon the children were helping to decorate the small tree which Mrs. Long had brought from her husband's store for younger members of the relatives' families, as well as her own children. Mrs. Schalska popped corn, Christmas-tree trimmings, oranges, nuts, candy and candles were produced from among the packages in the car, and a hurried trip to a small store enlarged the stock of goodies. The children, taking turns in carrying the tree, with Mr. and Mrs. Schalska, Mr. and Mrs. Long started out. Every house with boys and girls, aged or sick ones, was visited. The tree was placed on a table or chair, candles lighted for a moment while some goodies were distributed.

After a visit to each place, the family was invited to accompany this Christmas Cheer company while carols were sung outside and inside until everyone was so happy that some shouted while others cried for joy. One dear woman after listening to the story of the significance of the Yuletide season which some had made Mr. Long understand they wished to learn, drying her eyes on the corner of a faded apron, called Mrs. Long an "Angel." The glad notes of the Christmas caroling soon reached the farther ends of Loneridge, whose inhabitants joined in a community Christmas as they made their way to the large engine house where the tree was placed in the center while they sang patriotic songs. Then, while



sacred quietness reigned, Mrs. Long repeated the Christmas story, after which Mr. Long led softly in singing, "All is calm, all is bright," when some one touched Mrs. Long on the sleeve. It was her brother, John, who was waiting in his big car to take them to his home. After their own festivities he had slipped away to bring the stranded travelers as a surprise next morning to all but his wife. As Mrs. Long arranged the packages around the small tree on the table, possibly there were visions of happy faces of Loneridge boys and girls with their note discordant in tone but full of love-harmony while they sang, "All is bright." Perhaps she wondered at the "peace that passed understanding" which she had that Christmas. She may have understood that the Loneridge Christmas Eve would be one of the happiest memories of her life because wherever and whenever the message "Inasmuch" is lived out, there will be "Peace and Good Will Among Men."

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A Christmas Carol

A bright and blessed Christmas Day,
With echoes of the angels' song,
And peace that cannot pass away,
And holy gladness calm and strong
And sweet heart-earls flowing free
This is my Christmas wish to thee.
—Hayvergal.



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We all need that merchant—we need his confidence, his friendship. Our town needs his enterprise—the service he renders in handling only guaranteed, first-grade goods that he is here to stand back of day in and day out.

Let's give him our cash when we have it. Let's pay his bills as promptly as we can. Let's earn and merit the confidence he has placed in us and in our community. Let's support him—we need him and he needs us, our trade, and our unselfish good will.

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Little Hearts Send their Appeal to Santa

I hope your reindeer's foot is well but Santa Claus I only want a pair of gloves and an air gun.

Hubert Compton.

Christmas I want you to bring me a baby doll, a purse, a pair of house-shoes and some fruits. Please bring the little poor children something too. Please bring my little brother and sister something too.

Gena Wade.

I want a pair of skates. Mother wants a set of dishes. Father wants a pair of shoes.

Curtis Gill.

The only things I want for Christmas is a story book and a pair of skates. Santa, please bring me the skates if you don't bring me anything else. I would like to have a ring. Don't forget poor girls and boys.

Gwayne Shipp.

Please bring me a cowboy suit and please remember little children who have no father or mother.

Joseph Miller.

Will you please bring me a pair of football shoes, shoulder pads and a pair of skates?

Howard Terry.

Will you please bring me a Bubbles Doll. I also want a bicycle that will go fast. I want some books, games, candy, fruit and fireworks. Don't forget the poor little children that don't get much. Go to see them.

Mildred Moore.

I do not want much this year. All I want is a pair of skates and some cowboy pants. I hope you don't forget the poor children.

Graham Tyson.

I am expecting you very soon for it is almost Christmas. I want very few things this Christmas for I am getting too big to want very much, but I do want a by lo Doll and some fruit.

Hazel Owen.

If you have a Bye Lo baby doll and a doll buggy, please bring them to me. I would also like to have a pair of skates and a wrist watch that tells time. Also do not forget my dear little sisters and the poor people.

Annie Frances Narvatil.

I want a wagon, baseball suit, a bat, a ball and a mit. I want some fruit, some candy and fireworks. Please don't forget the poor children that haven't any father or mother or coys. Bring all they want.

Earnest Collins.

How are you getting along this Christmas? I want you to bring me a pair of gloves, some shot and some candy.

Wilder Graham.

I hope that you will be able to come to my house, and leave me some toys, fruit, and nuts. My little brother wants a big rubber ball with pictures on it. My sister wants a fountain pen and a Mamma Doll.

C. W. Gjedde.

You have never failed to bring me all I have asked for. So I will leave it up to you to select my presents this Christmas.

But I would like to have a Bye Lo baby doll. Santa you will not forget to visit the little orphan children of our land.

Verna Beth Beard.

Please bring me a doll buggy for Christmas and lots of fruit, candy, and nuts. Bring all the poor children presents. Do bring me a pair of skates.

Laurance McDonald.

Please bring me a basket ball, a pair of skates, a pair of over shoes, a baby doll, a hat, some candy and fruit. Bring the other children what they would like to have.

Opal Worcester.

Please bring me a doll in a basket, a pair of skates, a new dress and some fruit. I do not want very much for I want the poor children to have some toys.

Josephine Richards.

I want a pair of skates, and a bicycle. I would like for you to send me a suit of clothes and a pair of football pants.

Boy Lee Kirk.

All I want is a beaded purse and four or five pretty bracelets. I want to save the other toys for poor children. I surely will thank you.

Susie Mae Price.

Please bring me a baby doll in a basket, a basket ball, some fruit, can-

Jack Avriett Tells Kind Of Santa Claus He Loves Best

Dear Santa:

You ask in the Herald last week, "What do you want for Christmas—write old Santa a letter."

Well, I tell you what I want. I want you to get on back to the north pole where you belong and get ready to come on Christmas eve night. I see in the Dallas News where you have been in Texas for two months fooling around making speeches, having your teeth pulled, going to football games and packing things around on your back like a peddler and I don't like this kind of a Santa at all. I think you ought to come once a year on Christmas Eve and not be fooling around here for two months.

I still love the right kind of Santa and will leave it to him what to bring a good boy.

Jack L. Avriett.

dy and nuts. Remember to take the other little children what they would like to have.

Mildred Copus.

I want a cowboy suit at Sears Roebuck. I want a pump target and some fire works. Remember the poor people.

Leonard Blaylock.

I want you to bring me a bicycle and some fire works and some nuts. I want some fruit and some boxing gloves.

Keidel Sheppard.

I want a doll and a ring. I would like to have a pair of skates too. I want a pencil box and candy, nuts and some apples and oranges.

Fannie Lee Lunsford.

I want a new box of tinkler toys, a catcher's mit, a jelly bean belt, some apples, oranges, nuts and candy. And Santa please don't forget other little boys and girls.

G. C. Walters.

I want a package of fireworks. Please bring me a pencil box, a pair of boxing gloves and two candles.

R. L. Walker.

I want a pair of roller skates and I want some fire works and some candy, apples, oranges and nuts. I want a pair of boots and a pair of long pants and I also want a ball and bat.

Jane Edmonds.

I want a doll, some candy, some apples and some oranges, and I will thank you when you come to my house.

Ruth Smith.

I would like a volley ball and a story book. Please bring me some apples, oranges and candy. I would like a Bible and a doll too.

Imogene McLerran.

I want a basket ball and a volley ball. I want a bicycle and a pair of skates. I want an air gun. I would like to have some candy, some tinkler toys, a pair of gloves, walnuts and fruit too.

Max McClarren.

I would like to have a pair of skates and a volley ball. Please bring me some fruit and a box of tinkler toys.

Julia Ann Strange.

I want a pair of skates, some candy, some oranges, and apples. And please bring me a ring and some nuts.

Estell Lamb.

I want a pair of roller skates, some candy and oranges.

Jack Isham.

I want a pair of skates. I want a box of tinkler toys too. I would like to have a story book, some candy and nuts.

Rebecca Graham.

I want you to bring me a twenty-two target, some nuts, some fruit and a pair of skates.

Woodrow Crawford.

I hope you will bring us some skates, some apples, candy and oranges for Christmas.

Robbie Lee McLerran.

I want a pair of boots, and a pair of army pants. And please bring me a knife and a few fire works. I want some fruit and some nuts too.

Roy Heath.

I want a twenty-two target, three

Santa Knew What We Wanted.



boxes of shells, some apples and candy. Please bring oranges, a knife, some nuts and some fireworks.

Cecil Holden.

I want a pair of skates and a Mamma Doll. I would like some fruit and some nuts. Please bring me a ring and a story book.

Mildred Crawford.

I want a pair of house shoes, and a pair of pumps, and a basket ball. Please bring me some fire works and some fruit and candy too.

Marie Robertson.

I want a pair of skates and a basket ball. I would like to have some apples and candy. I want a volley ball. I would like to have some story books

and some nuts and a girl's bicycle.

Trudie Jane Holder.

I would like to have a pair of skates and a volley ball. I would like a doll and some fruit and candy and nuts.

Mary Louise Vaughan.

I want a little stove and story book. I would like an Edison, some apples some candy. I wish you would bring some oranges and some nuts and that is all.

Ernestine Brod.

I want to tell you what I want you to bring me Christmas morning. Please bring me a bicycle, a pair of skates, a pair of boxing gloves and a pair of gloves.

Virgel Turner.

I want a volley ball and some skates. Please bring me some apples, oranges, nuts and candy. I would like to have a story book and I want a baby doll.

Velma Reese.

I want a twenty-two target and a box of shells. I want a bicycle and a football too. I hope you bring me apples and candy.

Louis Crouch.

I am a girl eight years old. If it isn't too much I'd like to have a bicycle and a book entitled, "Little Bear's Ups and Downs." I have a little brother two years and ten months old. Please don't forget him. He wants a train and a toy cow.

Be sure to remember all the poor children.

Now Santa hurry in your sleigh, And don't get stuck while on your way.

Your little friend,
Margaret Fisher,
513 N. Houston Ave.

We want you to bring a Bye-Lo baby doll, a ten set and some house shoes. We hope you will bring all the other little children something too.

Catherine and Ruth Mode.

I am a little girl nine years old and I live in the country.

Santa, I want you to bring me a big doll that goes to sleep and can say Mamma and that has curly hair. And if I'm not asking too much bring me a big rubber ball, some apples, oranges nuts and candy.

I hope you will remember all the poor little children and make them happy Christmas.

Your friend,
Gertie Ray Terry.

Will you please send me a pair of Roller Skates for Christmas. I will appreciate it very much.

Your friend,
Woodrow Crawford,
P. O. Box 144, Cameron, Texas.

I want a football, a football suit, a pair of skates. Santa Claus do not forget the poor children. I want a bicycle, a tool box, a twenty-two target. I want some fire works, a policeman suit, a cowboy suit and two pair of boxing gloves if you please.

Gus Evans.

I want you to bring me a doll, a purse and a pair of house shoes. A doll bed, a story book, fruit, nuts and candy. Fill my stocking to the top and do not forget the ones who do not have a home or a mother or father.

Roy Fanning.

I want two pairs of boxing gloves a wrist watch and an Intercollegiate football. Please bring me a pocket knife with a chain, a baseball and a bat.

John Atkinson.

I am a little boy eight years old. I want a pair of skates, a football that is already pumped up, a game like Uncle Wiggly. My little brother wants a little football and a puzzle. But don't forget the orphan children. We want some nuts, apples and oranges. Please bring us some fire crackers, roman candles and sky rockets.

John S. Burns.

Will you please bring me some fire works? I want a lumber jacket, a pair of shoes and I want you to fill

my stocking with apples and grapes if you please.

John Calvin.

I want a tool box, a coping saw, and some fireworks. I also want some nuts in my stocking if you please.

Robert Sloan Ryan.

I want you to bring me a pair of skates, a volley ball and a kodak. I also want you to fill my stocking with oranges and nuts. If you please I want a Victrola.

Alice Rylander.

Please bring me a doll chifforobe and a subscription to Child's Life.

Frances McDermott.

Will you bring me some nuts, oranges and boxing gloves? I want a Red Letter Bible, some fire works and a flashlight. Dear Santa Claus please bring me some candy, and the Little Washington Series.

Hilliard Thomas.

We have been missing you in these years. We hope you will bring us some pretty things. I would like to have a Buddy. I also want a fire truck, some boots and an air gun. I would also like a couple of bicycle tires. And don't forget the fire works and a book of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn.

Billy Gillis.

Please bring me some fire works, a bicycle, an air rifle and boxing gloves. Santa Claus bring me some skates, a football and some fruit if you please.

Alvin Monroe.

I want a book of American Animals, also a box of water colors and some fire works. Please bring me a cap gun, a pair of coveralls and overalls.

Joe Dusek.

Please bring me a Intercollegiate football, a pair of boots and some air rifle shells.

Trent Newton.

I know you are a good old man and you have helped many people. I want a pair of skates, a pair of gloves and some fireworks. Please bring me a coaster wagon, two pairs of boxing gloves, a dump truck. I want a new belt, some nuts and fruit. Please do not forget the other poor boys and girls in our town.

Brooks Brady.

I don't want to be greedy and I'm not asking for very much. I want an air rifle, an Intercollegiate football, a pair of football shoes and the American Boy. I also want some books, some candy and some fireworks. Please don't forget the little orphan children who have no mother and father.

John Martin.

Please bring me a doll bed, a bye lo baby doll and a pair of skates for Christmas. I want some candy too. Bring me lots of nuts and fruits.

Nell Louise Lewis.

Please bring me a wrist watch, a pair of skates also candy and nuts. Don't forget the poor little girls and boys.

Woodrow Wilson.

Will you bring me some toys? And I want a pair of boxing gloves, a good pair of skates and a target.

Floyd Isham.

I want some skates, a ring and a ukelele. Bring me some apples, oranges and nuts. I want fire works too. Please do not forget all the poor children.

Zelma Ruth Key.

Please bring me an Erector Set No. 1 and a pocket knife. I want a pair of gloves, some apples and nuts too.

Sam Graham.

I want you to bring me a banjo, a ukelele, a pair of gloves and a set of books. Please bring me a stocking full of apples, oranges and nuts.

Beas Mangum.

I want a book, a pair of skates and a pair of gloves. I want a wrist watch, a stocking full of nuts and a box full of candy. I want some apples, oranges and bananas.

Theresa Manning.

Please bring me a doll, a doll bed, and a pair of skates. I would like to have a wrist watch and a basket ball. Santa Claus would you please bring me a Bible for Christmas. And be sure you think of the orphan children that do not have a father or mother.

Wenonah Slaughter.

You have been so kind to me for the last years I want you to bring me any thing you want me to have.

Harold Jackson.

Please bring me a pair of gloves,

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Merry Christmas

You are going to be Santa Claus at your house this year—as usual. After the children hang up their stockings and bid you goodnight—then you and mamma will go in and fill up the little stockings and hang the presents on the Christmas Tree.

THEN

As the children bounce out of the bed bright and early on Christmas morning, your pleasure will be as great as theirs, because of your love for them.

They are your keenest joy.

They are the impulse that causes you to work every day as you do.

The Best Christmas Gift

You like to give your loved ones Christmas presents but it puzzles you to select the gifts. This year, next year, and probably for many years, you will be here and will be able to select appropriate presents for all members of your family; but the time will come—and it may come quickly—when you will not be here to do this. Who will provide the Christmas presents then?

TO MAKE CERTAIN

That Santa Claus will come every year—That the cheer of Christmas time may endure always—That happiness which a gift brings may be perpetuated through the years—

The Best Gift you can hang on the Christmas Tree is a

Southwestern Life Christmas Policy

Guaranteeing absolute protection to the insured in the event of disability to the beneficiary in the event of the death of the insured.

S. E. BROGDON AGENT

SOUTHWESTERN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
CAMERON, TEXAS

Listening in on Station S-A-N-T-A



TEXAS POWER & LIGHT BUY UTILITIES PLANT

THIRTY-FIVE TEXAS TOWNS GET SERVICE OF BIG POWER COMPANY

Electric and gas properties of the Texas Public Utilities Company in 35 towns and cities have been purchased by the Texas Power and Light Company and have been added to the Texas Power and Light Company system. Jno. C. Young, manager of this district announced as a result of information received from C. E. Calder, president of the Texas Power & Light Company. No change will be made in the operating officials or local employees.

Electric properties of the Mineral Wells Electric Company also have been purchased by the Texas Power and Light Company.

The change in ownership of the local electric property of the Texas Public Utilities Company will in no way change the present policies of the company, and instead, will give the citizens of Cameron the benefit of electric service from the largest electric power and light system in Texas, which now provides service for more than 200 towns and cities. The addition of the electric properties of the Texas Public Utilities Company to the Texas Power and Light Company will create a more unified operating organization and will bring the same standards of service to all the new properties added to the system.

For the last five years, the Texas Power and Light Company has been following out a well-planned campaign of bringing industrial organizations to Texas, especially textile mills, which are particularly suited to the State which raises approximately half of the nation's cotton. John W. Carpenter, vice-president and general manager of the company has made several trips through Northern and

Southwestern textile mill centers during that time, getting first hand information on the operation of cotton mills, and at the same time acquainting textile mill owners and Eastern capitalists with the opportunities for textile mill development in Texas. Mr. Carpenter also brought a party of best known industrial leaders in the country to Texas and showed them the immense possibilities of his native state. The entire party spent several weeks making a thorough tour of the state, and the result of their visit to Texas was their becoming interested financially in the erection of several textile mills in Texas.

During the same five-year period, the Texas Power and Light Company has been carrying on a thoroughly planned campaign of advertising Texas to the world through the leading textile and industrial trades magazines of the United States. Largely as a result of these combined efforts, textile development in Texas has been given an impetus, and several mills are in operation today as a direct outcome of the work carried on by Mr. Carpenter and his company.

Name "Santa Claus," Where It Came From

"Santa Claus" is a corruption which originated apparently in Flanders or possibly among the Dutch, of the name of St. Nicholas, a saint noted for his love of children and his boundless charity. His "day" was perhaps December 8, originally, but since the displacement of Old Father Christmas, the British representation of the Christmas spirit, he is celebrated almost universally as the Christmas Saint.

MILAM COUNTY COTTON REPORT

There were 64,414 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Milam County, from the crop of 1926 prior to December 1, 1926, as compared with 9,090 bales ginned to December 1, 1925.

Basil McGregor,
Special Agent.

NOTICE

This is to give notice to the public that cotton receipt No. 65145 issued in the name of Dewey McCall on the 11th day of November, 1926, by the Cameron Compress Company, for one bale of cotton delivered by him to that company, has been lost, and that the undersigned is the legal owner and holder of said cotton, and the public is warned not to accept said receipt or to deal with same in the hands of any other person.

CAMERON COMPRESS CO.,
S. E. Dossett, Supt.

NOTICE

This is to give notice to the public that cotton receipt No. 65072 issued in the name of Jesse and D. McCall on the 11th day of November, 1926, by the Cameron Compress Company, for one bale of cotton delivered by him to that company, has been lost, and that the undersigned is the legal owner and holder of said cotton, and the public is warned not to accept

said receipt or to deal with same in the hands of any other person.

CAMERON COMPRESS CO.,
S. E. Dossett, Supt.

EXPERT IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION HERE

BRYAN TEACHER TO LOCATE IN CAMERON WITH BEGINNING OF THE NEW YEAR

Cameron will have a modern business college to begin operation after the first of the year.

Prof. L. R. Walden who has been conducting the Walden's Business College in Bryan, has announced that he will begin the operation of a business college in Cameron.

Elsewhere in this issue of The Herald will be found an advertisement announcing the opening of this college.

The following interesting account

of the work and qualifications was clipped from the paper at Bryan:

Professor L. R. Walden, the organizer and manager of this new enterprise has had a wide and successful experience along educational lines. He has conducted business colleges in Austin and Fort Worth, Texas; Lake Charles, Alexandria and Monroe, Louisiana and in every southern state except Florida.

Mr. Walden was for a number of years engaged in this line of work in Chicago, St. Louis and Cleveland, Ohio. He is the author of texts on bookkeeping, business arithmetic and spelling and is now perfecting a simplified shorthand text, with which he has been able to prepare pupils in ten weeks for worth-while positions as stenographers, bookkeepers and private secretaries.

Mr. Walden stated that it had always been his plan to get the pupil where he could give satisfactory service to his employer in the shortest time possible and let the pupil be earning while learning.

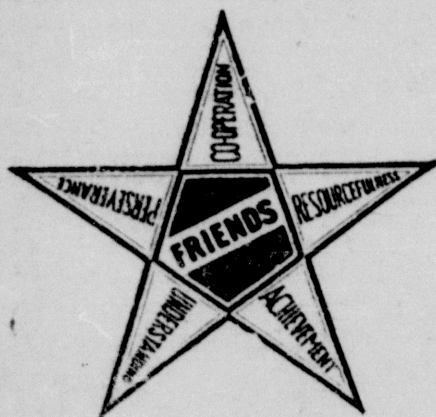
Professor Walden talks interest-

ingly of men and women; and there are thousands of them, who began their careers as bookkeepers, stenographers and private secretaries, who because of their association with big, successful brainy men and women and big enterprises, learned the success—building ideas, rules and methods, which brings prosperity and today they are millionaires, and the heads of big enterprises of their own. He offers expert training, leading to above mentioned association and to big business, where the rewards and opportunities are greatest.

Mr. Walden expressed himself as being much impressed with the substantial appearance of Bryan, and with her splendid location, he predicts for her a rapid growth and development.

The Chamber of Commerce has endorsed Walden's Bryan Business College and will co-operate with the school in every way to give the people of Bryan and Brazos county a good business college.

The Herald And Entire
Force Wish You a Merry
Christmas And a Happy
New Year.



THIS BANK'S RECORD—

for safety and service is backed by a wholesome interest in every worthy customer—an interest that inspires a desire to help each one to find the way that leads to success.

First National Bank

We invite your confidence, friendship and account here.

TEXAS NEWSPAPERS TO GIVE TEXAS RESOURCES

TWENTY-SEVEN TEXAS PAPERS TO RENDER PATRIOTIC SERVICE

Abilene, Texas, Dec. 10.—Driving away the "cotton blues" with one of the largest co-operative advertising campaigns ever undertaken in the country is the plan of members of the Daily Press League of Texas, soon to be put into effect.

Twenty-seven Texas dailies have agreed to run a total of 724 full page advertisements to tell Texas about Texas. The twenty-seven dailies have a combined circulation of 350,000, and the advertisements, if paid for at regular space rates, would cost a total of \$55,000.

The newspapers are giving their space to tell their readers and the world in general that despite 11-cent cotton, Texas' purchasing power was never greater than now.

Each of the 27 dailies will print 27 full page ads. Each advertisement will contain a bristling array of statistics showing exactly the present business status in the vicinity which the ad refers to.

For instance, the Abilene Reporter, one of the 27 papers, will print an ad telling about conditions in its city. The same ad will be run in the 26 other member papers of the co-operative plan. The Abilene Reporter in turn, will publish advertisements giving similar facts about the other towns in the chain. Every city co-operating will be given free a minimum of 27 pages, and the complete chain will be planned to present a graphic and truthful picture of Texas, industrially, financially and economically.

The advertisements will tell the world that the net returns to Texas for 1926 from the things this state produces, such as cotton, corn, oats, wheat, grain, sorghums, poultry, peanuts, pecans, lumber, oil, coal, sulphur and numerous other products is far greater than the so-called "good years." The ads will state that Texas has more people and more money than ever before in its history. The Daily Press League of Texas includes most of the dailies outside of Houston, Dal-

las, Fort Worth, San Antonio, El Paso and Beaumont.

The papers collaborating in this unusual campaign are: Abilene Reporter and News, Amarillo Globe and News, Austin Statesman and American, Brownsville Herald, Bryan Herald, Cleburne Review, Corpus Christi Caller, Corsicana Sun, Denison Herald, Denton Record-Chronicle, Gainesville Register, Greenville Banner, Galveston Tribune, Hillsboro Mirror, Lubbock Journal and Avalanche, Marshall News-Messenger, Mineral Wells, Index, Palestine Herald, Paris News, Ranger Times, San Angelo Standard, Sherman Democrat, Temple Telegram, Texarkana Gazette, Waco News-Tribune, and Wichita Falls Record-News.

The date of the opening broadside will be announced soon.

Christmas Cards Vital Part of Holiday Season

IN OUR modern world of today the sending and receiving of greeting cards has come to be a very vital part of the holiday season, so much so, in fact, that we can nearly gauge the number of our friends by the number of cards received. Each year as the Yuletide season approaches millions of these little messages of love and good wishes travel from one to another and everywhere mail carriers stagger under the load of them which they carry. For while one Christmas card may not weigh very much, yet, when hundreds of them are piled together they make no mean weight.

Nowadays there are special cards for every member of the family from grandpa to baby, not to mention those for sweethearts, friends, etc., and there are cards for any and all occasions. Just as you and I are recovering from the effects of the Christmas celebrations each year verse writers are working feverishly and racking their brains for new and catchy sentiments for cards for the next Christmas season. A really good verse—a bit of sentiment that speaks the very thought within our hearts—is worth a small fortune to the manufacturer that gets hold of it.

It seems hard to believe in the face of all this that it is only a little fewer than eighty years ago that the first Christmas card was made and that it was as late as the year 1862 when the public first began to send out cards and then the custom was practiced only by the few. But, like other things that supplied a long-felt need the sending of greeting cards

grew by leaps and bounds until, today, Christmas would not seem like itself at all without these little messages from those we love.—Katherine Edelman.

(©, 1926, Western Newspaper Union.)

What Did She Mean?

Reggy—Ma writes me that she expects to have a nice goose for Christmas this year.

Peggy—Oh, you surely must go home, you mustn't disappoint her.

Christmas Tree Custom

Had Origin in Germany

The custom of displaying and decorating Christmas trees had its origin in Germany. It was introduced into Great Britain by Queen Charlotte, the German wife of George III. The Hon. Amelia Murray, a lady attached to the court, thus described the Christmas tree festivities: "Queen Charlotte, true to her German associations, regularly had a Christmas tree dressed up either at Buckingham palace or at Kew palace. It was hung with presents for the children, who were invited to see it; and I well remember the pleasure it was to hunt for one's own

name which was sure to be attached to one or more of the pretty gifts." Queen Charlotte came to the throne in 1760, so that the British cult of the Christmas tree is only 166 years old.

Be Merry

Be merry all, be merry all.
With holly dress the festive hall;
Prepare the song, the feast, the ball,
To welcome Merry Christmas.
—Spencer.

Remember the Animals

When Christmas Comes

AND let us, especially at Christmas, remember that animals are worthy of numbering among our friends and companions, since they were the companions of the Christ child in the lowly stable at Bethlehem. Because they are our friends, we must do all we can to make them happy. This we can do at all times, and at such a special season of gladness let us share with them our joy and happiness. You know how a dog, for instance, can show his happiness and can express his gratitude for kindly attention, and also how, alas, too often, he shows his

few of his treatment! They can also feel pleasure, and it is only right—just as we hate giving pain to our human friends—that we should avoid anything which may hurt our animal companions.

Let every living thing, if possible, share in the joys of Christmas! Do something to make it a happy time, at least, for every living thing with which you can have anything to do. And by so doing we can all try to make it a season of real loving-kindness to one and all. Let us be determined that every living being with whom we have anything to do—our human friends and our "lower brethren"—shall be, somehow, the happier because of what we—you and I—have been able to do for them. You remember that Jesus said, "Remember ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto Me." (Matt. 25:40.)—Our Dumb Animals.

Remember the Needy

Remember the ones whom Santa is likely to forget.

NOT FAIR.

He: Darling, you be my Christmas present and let me be yours.
She: It's customary for a man to give a girl more than she gives him.



What's the Answer?

Wife—Remember that old millionaire wanted to marry me?

Hubby—Yes.
"And how easily you got me away from him?"

"Bet your life I do, ha! ha!"

"Well, he married that Flossie Flapper you used to like pretty well and has just bought her a set of sables for Christmas."

Hard to Figure Out

It is hard to figure out why it is that Santa Claus was not created in the form of a woman.

The Gift That Lasts Jewelry

GEO. A. THOMAS & SONS The Christmas Store

For 36 years this store has been the Christmas gift Store and as usual we have a nice gift selection.

Gifts Well Chosen are Well Received



See the real values in Diamond rings
priced at—

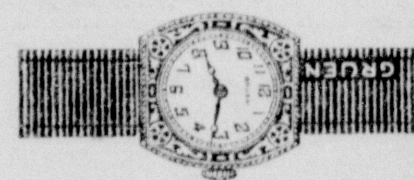
\$25.00 \$50.00

\$75.00 \$100.

They are real values.



Diamonds, Jewelry, Cut Glass, China and Silver-

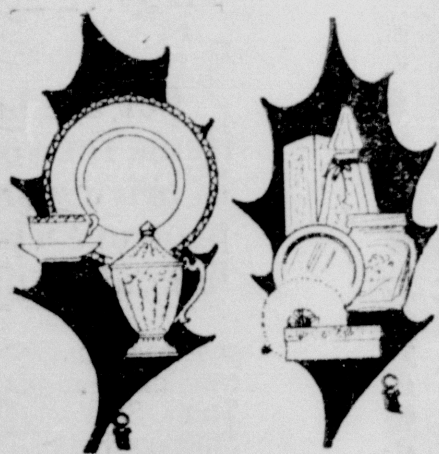


ware. Gold Fountain Pens, Ivory Toilet Sets,

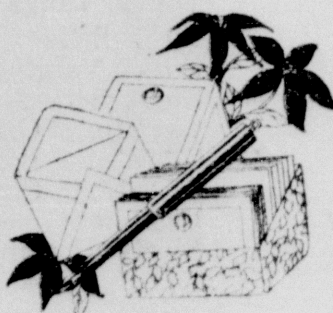


Bracelet Watches and everything in jewelry.

In perfumes we have a complete assortment in beautiful gift boxes and in the most reliable makes—together with a complete line of compacts and vanities in silver and gold.



Box stationery, Christmas Cards and Seals, Ladies Hand Bags, Gents Bill Folds, Bibles and sundry Gift Articles



Remember this store for Christmas Gifts of Quality and at most reasonable prices

GEO. A. THOMAS & SONS

DRUGS AND JEWELRY
36 YEARS IN CAMERON

Sell Your Cream for CASH

40c
Per Pound for Your
Butter Fat

We are agents for the METZGER Creamery in Dallas. We receive and pay cash for cream at our store. Why take a lower price for your butter when you can get 40c per pound for your Butter Fat.

We buy each day and ship this cream. We pay cash money and always the highest market price.

DON'T SACRIFICE YOUR BUTTER
BUT SELL THE CREAM

Cameron Seed Co.

Creamery Station
Cameron, Texas

Little Hearts Send their Appeal to Santa

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a story book and a doll. Please bring me some candy, nuts, oranges and apples too.

Freddie Biskup.

I would like for you to bring me a ukelele, a wrist watch and a little kodak. Then I would like a carryola and I would like very much for you to please give me a subscription to Child Life.

Abbie Reese Harvey.

I want a pair of skates, a kodak, a ball, a top, and a trunk. I also want my stocking full of oranges and nuts. Please bring me a Victrola, a bye lo baby doll and a basket ball.

Edna Merle Deer.

I want you to bring me a bye-lo doll, house shoes, a story book and some fire works. I hope you will bring all of the other little children something too.

Catherine Mode.

Please bring me a football, an air gun, a cowboy suit and a big pistol. Also bring me a fireman's suit and a billy goat and a little red wagon, an airplane and a little Bible.

Joe Bill White.

Please bring me twin dolls, pair of skates, bassenette, story books, a desk and chair, some games and drawing paints. Bring me a Bible. Please bring all the other little children something and remember the poor children.

Francis White.

My name is Edwin Radtke and I am nine years old. I am in the third grade. I want a baseball, bat, airgun, apples, nuts, football and a coaster wagon.

Edwin Radtke.

I want you to bring me something for Christmas. I will tell you what I want. I want a good air gun, a tool chest, a pair of football pants, a good game of some kind, and a book by the name of "Treasure Island." And please remember the poor children and go by the orphans home.

Tom White.

I am ten years old and am in the third grade. My teacher is Miss Earl Bragg. I want a pair of skates, an airgun, a baseball, a bat and my little sister wants a doll and a story book and piano.

Walter Eickenhorst.

I am a little girl and I am ten years old. I am in the third grade. I would like a pair of houseshoes and a pair of skates.

Wilma Ondrej.

I am nine years old and in the third grade. I'm going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll and a pair of skates. I want some candy, nuts, apples and oranges too.

Helen Hess.

I am nine years old, I live in Cameron. I am in the second grade. I want a football and a pair of skates and some candy, apples and nuts.

G. C. Black.

I am a little girl, my name is Vivian Ondrej and I am ten years old and in the third grade. I would like a pair of houseshoes and a mother goose book.

Vivian Ondrej.

I am a little boy and I want you to bring me some skates, so I can skate on the sidewalk and I wish Christmas was here. I am going to have a Christmas tree. I am going to send presents to poor people.

Paul Stach.

I want a pair of skates and boots. Please bring me some boxing gloves, an air gun and shot. I would like a game, some fire works, some fruit, nuts and candy.

Earnest Walters.

Please bring me a basket ball, some over shoes, a pair of skates, a hat, a baby doll, some fruit and candy. Take the other children what they would like to have.

Opal Worcester.

I hope you will see me again this year. I hope you will bring me something that I will like. I would like a gun to use when I go hunting. It would

be fun to get a gun for Christmas.
Jerome Dusek.

I am writing you to remind you that I am in Cameron and I wish you wouldn't forget me. I hope you are well and can come to my house. I saw in the paper that one of your reindeer had a broken leg. I wish you would not forget other little children who have no father nor mother.

C. W. Gjedde.

I am a little boy in the second grade. I want an electric train and a wild bucking horse with bridle and saddle, lots of fruit and candy and fire works and nuts. Please bring me a pair of boxing gloves.

Joe Newton.

I am a little girl in the second grade. I wish you would bring me a pair of skates and a comb and a brush and a ukelele and a book.

Nelta Dierr.

I am a little girl in the second grade and will you bring me a big doll and a doll buggy and some gloves and a box of candy and some nuts and apples.

Milada Hanbuz.

I am a little girl in the second grade. Please bring me a bye-lo baby doll and a doll buggy too. I want a pair of skates.

Zelma Konigsberg.

I am eight years old and I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pair of skates, an air gun, a box of giant fire crackers and don't forget the poor little boys.

Frank Chadwick.

HA! HA!



Jocular Bug—Hey, Snailley, I bet somebody gives you a speedometer for a Christmas gift!

A FRIEND TO MAN

There are hermit souls that live withdrawn
In the place of self-content;
There are souls, like stars, that dwell apart
In a fellow-less firmament;

There are pioneer souls that blaze their paths
Where highways never ran;
But let me live by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

Let me live in a house by the side of the road
Where the race of men go by—
The men who are good and the men who are bad,
As good and as bad as I.

I would not sit in the scorner's seat
Or hurl a cynic's ban;
Let me live in a house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

I see from my house by the side of the road,
By the side of the highway of life,
The men who press with the ardor of hope;
The men who are faint with the strife,

But I turn not away from their smiles, nor their tears,
Both parts on an infinite plan—
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man.

I know there are brook-gladdened meadows ahead,
And mountains of wearsome height;
That the road passes on through the long afternoon
And stretches away to the night.

And still I rejoice when the travelers rejoice
And weep with the strangers that moan,
Nor live in my house by the side of the road
Like a man who dwells alone.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road,
It's here the race of men go by—
They are good, they are bad, they are weak they are strong,
Wise—foolish—so am I.

Then why should I sit in the scorner's seat,
Or hurl the cynic's band?
Let me live in my house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

NOTICE

This is to give notice to the public that cotton receipt No. 65072 issued in the name of Jesse and D. McCall on the 11th day of November, 1926; by the Cameron Compress Company, for one bale of cotton delivered by

him to that company, has been lost, and that the undersigned is the legal owner and holder of said cotton, and the public is warned not to accept said receipt or to deal with same in the hands of any other person.
CAMERON COMPRESS CO.,
S. E. Dossett, Supt.

SCHOLASTICS MUST PAY TRANSFER FEES HERE

Austin, Tex., Dec. 15.—Scholastics from rural districts cannot be transferred to city schools without paying tuition after the state apportionment has been exhausted, the supreme court held Wednesday.

The question was answered in a certified question in the case of Don Slocumb, et al vs. Cameron independent school district, from Milam County.

Slocumb contended that scholastics could be transferred from rural districts to the Cameron district, without paying tuition. The court held that it would be taxing the independent district to educate non-residents and non-taxpayers.

The case just decided by the supreme court is far reaching and of general interest over the state. Other contests of kindred nature were tried in the courts at other times.

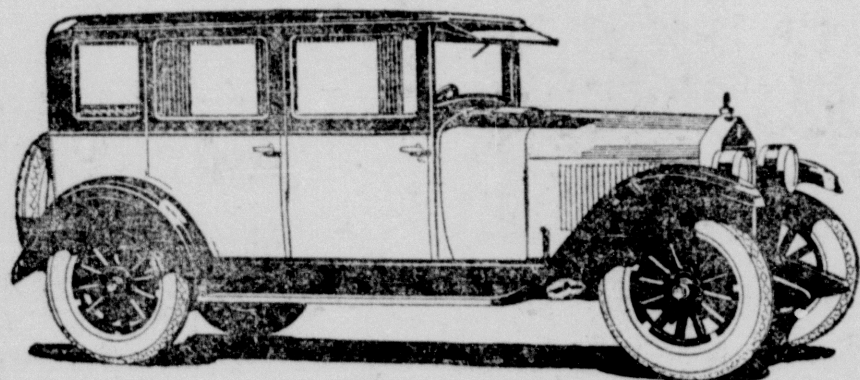
The Cameron case is more noted. Don Slocumb in association with others sued for a writ of injunction to restrain the school board from collecting the tuition fees from children transferring and also to restrain the board from excluding children from school for non-payment.

This suit was instituted in district court here. John Watson, district judge, denied the injunction. The case was then taken to the Third Court of Appeals at Austin where a temporary writ was granted. The case was then advanced to the Supreme Court and was heard last May. The decision was rendered on Wednesday as shown in the above dispatch from Austin.

For the school O. L. Kidd and E. A. Wallace acted as counsel and took the case up and for Mr. Slocumb and others E. A. Camp of Rockdale and Hart Patterson and Hart of Austin.

The decision is a notable victory for the board here and will aid in a big way the finances of the school.

Similar contests have been agitating independent school districts since 1923 where similar litigation arose in Travis county. The courts then held in a mooted question but the supreme court was not given an opportunity to pass on the case at issue.



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items for your choice. Our prompt service and economy
in pricing should make your last minute shopping a real
pleasure when you come here. To aid you in choosing we
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Christmas Seals
Desk Sets
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Footballs
Ladies Hand Bags
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SEASON'S GREETING

**To our many friends and customers we wish you a very
Merry Christmas and a most Happy and Prosperous
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TALENT OF STUDENTS SHOWN IN POEMS WRITTEN HERE BY CLASS IN ENGLISH STUDY

An insight into the work accomplished in the grammar school grades is afforded by the following poems from members of Miss Blanche Hensley's English 7-A class. Each poem embodies a character study, and the range of selection from a baby neighbor to the Southern chieftain, Robert Edward Lee, shows versatility in choice. The first sketch is of our popular superintendent of schools who is popular upon the school ground.

Skating On Ice

A race by Joe and Annie Belle,
Was planned for a day on the river,
T'was over the marshes and in the dell
Where these two youngsters began
to quiver.

The ice was hard and the day was cold
They put on their skates together,
And hand in hand looking very bold,
Went racing against the wintry
weather.

Joe was gliding along the side,
Annie Belle onward to the middle
bent,
And to Joe's warning words did not
abide,
To the center of the river she went.

Ahead of Joe and on out of sight,
Annie Belle flew not thinking of
fate,
Away her feet raced in terrible flight
The ice cracked but it was all too
late.

I heard she was rescued by Joe
Always listen to a warning friend,
I'll go skating to the center no more,
When I'm out racing to win.

—Eula Cobb.

Robert Edward Lee

That brain so wise,
And spirit so quiet,
That managed a man on duty,
Both day and night.

On his heart was a light,
That shone wherever he walked,
Out of his mouth flowed wisdom,
Wherever he talked.

On the field, ever feeling the cannons
flame,
The men were driven onward, only
by his name,
Standing on the field a man,—Yes a
man,
Guiding the army with brain and
hand.

—Charles Beacham.

The Mother And Boy

The boy is true and bright and brave,
His politeness will follow him to
his grave,
All day he works in the cotton field,
To earn bread to eat for his meals

His mother always his cook,
In his small house at the edge of the
brook,
She is old and bent and gray,
But she feeds the mules with the
hay.

The yard is green with grass and
flowers,
With many trees for the home of
sparrows,
On the little low porch are two home-
made chairs,
Where they kneel each night to say
their prayers.

They read the Bible and then kneel
down,
A pleasant smile comes up and
meets them from the ground.
When Sunday comes they dress with
care,
To go to the church to kneel for
prayer,

They sing in the choir with a light
heart,
They are ready for another good
week to start.

—Winifred Bickett.

My Pal, Jim

It is now just about twilight,
I watch the day grow dim,
My thoughts wander back to my boy-
hood,
And I think of my pal, Jim.

We sat side by side in school,
We laughed and played at noon,
Once I sat on the Duncce stool,
Because I laughed at Jim.

When vacation came we would hunt
and swim,
Of both we were very fond,
The ole swimming hole is still famous,
For it was the old mill pond.

Jim was fair on the playground,
As fair as he was in school,
He always knew his lessons well,
Not once did he sit on the Duncce
Stool.

As I sit in the falling twilight,
My eyes grow dim with tears,
For I haven't seen my schoolmate
In ten long dreary years.

Time came, we joined the army,
From dear U. S. to depart,
We left to go to France,
To fight with both hand and heart.

It was a hand to hand fight,
As it was nearing the end,
He fell fighting bravely,
For his fellow men.

How I hate those Germans,
Alone from France to depart,
Without the only boy I really loved,
And loved with all my heart.

—Olin Modesett.

My Mother

Just an old fashioned lady,
With hair silver-grey,
And a welcoming smile
At the close of the day.

Though her kind face is wrinkled
And her hands toil-worn too,
I owe you a lot,
Dear Mother, I do.

—Althea Dickens

A Good Friend

The wind was cold and bitter,
And the frost was on the ground,
As Jim approached the school,
He happened to look around.

He saw in a little corner,
A tiny little boy,
His clothes were torn and ragged,
And his shoes were very worn.

Good morning, little boy,
Won't you come along with me?
I will try to make you happy,
Just as happy as can be.

—Edwardine Lovick

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DINNER TO BRIDAL PARTY

Outstanding among the events of
last week was the turkey dinner ten-
dered the Bonnet-Henderson bridal
party on Thursday evening by Mrs.
Tom Henderson, Jr., on North Hou-
ston Avenue in her home which was
in gala adornment for the happy oc-
casion.

In the dining room the guests found
their places by unique place cards.
The bride's table was distinguished
with two burning tapers gleaming ra-
diantly over the scene. Covers were
marked for the following: Miss Har-
riet Henderson, Mr. Hamilton Moore
Bonnet, Miss Gladys Bluet of Dallas;
Mike Coleman, Mrs. Boyd Wells, Aus-
tin; Miss Helen Flinn, Mr. and Mrs.
C. W. Bradbury, Mrs. W. A. Bonnet,
Eagle Pass, T. S. Henderson, Misses
Mary Lake, Winnie and Agnes Hen-
derson, John Henderson, Ernest Beard,
Calvert; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hender-
son, Jr.

The dinner was served buffet style.
A rehearsal of the wedding ceremony
at the home of the bride's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. T. S. Henderson followed.

MR. AND MRS. BRIDGE CLUB

The last meeting of the Mr. and
Mrs. Bridge Club for 1926 was with
Mrs. C. E. Triggs. The guests enjoy-
ed a series of delightful games. In
conclusion the charming hostess serv-
ed dainty refreshments.

The next meeting of the club will
be the first Tuesday evening in 1927
when Mrs. Geo. F. Childress, Jr., will
be hostess.

WANTED

Men and Ladies to sell Cameron
Mutual Life Insurance, if interested
see or write C. W. L. Schaeg, Box 305,
Cameron, Texas.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

One red muley heifer about two
years old. Gone from pasture near
Cameron. Reward for any information
or recovery. See Flinn at the Cameron
Herald office.

Christmas Greetings

We extend to our friends and customers
of Milam County the greetings of the sea-
son. Your patronage has been appreciated
and we hope our service in 1927 will merit
your continued patronage.

The Famous Cameron, Texas

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Doesn't hurt one bit! Drop a little
"Freezone" on an aching corn, instantly
that corn stops hurting, then shortly
you lift it right off with fingers.

Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of
"Freezone" for a few cents, sufficient to
remove every hard corn, soft corn, or
corn between the toes, and the foot
calluses, without soreness or irritation.

For Your Christmas Gifts

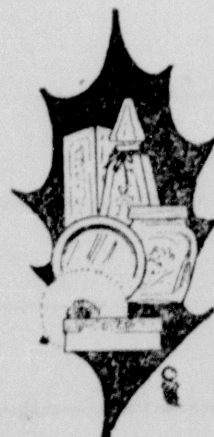
Hundreds of Gift Items in our stock
from which to select your gifts this Christ-
mas. Santa Claus has made a great deposit
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We have a most extraordinary line of
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numerous to mention. Our store is well
prepared for serving you in every way and
making gift selection problems easy with
prices ranging from 50 cents up.



Dolls ! Dolls !

We are featuring Dolls this year and believe you will
find our prices at least 25 per cent under the regular price.
Be sure and see our stock.



Christmas Greetings

1926 will soon be History. We hope that you have en-
joyed the year. Your friendship has been appreciated
and we hope that through the days of 1927 we will con-
tinue to be happy, prosperous friends.

To one and all we wish a very Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year.

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BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

VOLUNTEER DAY A GREAT SUCCESS

Wednesday, December 8th was designated as VOLUNTEER DAY. On that day our membership was asked to come to the church and sign up very gratifying. In spite of the continuous raining and the slushy streets, 226 volunteered. These 226 signed up approximately three-fourths of the budget.

We are very happy over the results of the day, not only from the financial results, but from the token of fellowship. There is the best spirit of fellowship among our people now that has been in months. Our attendance at the preaching services are very gratifying indeed. The regular services fill the auditorium comfortably most every time. Let us humble ourselves and pray that God will lead us on.

Following are the Volunteers in their order as they came throughout the day:

E. S. Hutcherson, Mrs. E. S. Hutcherson, Margaret R. Hutcherson, Mrs. Gus Evans, Gus Evans, J. B. White, Mabel F. Jeter, W. B. Skelton, Jennie Reese, Ada Margaret Smith, Dorothy Kidd, Goldie Chasteen, Laurita Evans, Willard Skelton, Jr., Mrs. W. B. Skelton, J. Frank Newton, Mrs. W. O. Newton, Mrs. Conn Miller, Cyrus Miller, Mrs. H. G. Cooper, Billie Cooper, H. G. Cooper, Don Slocomb, Gay Slocomb, Casey Slocomb, Don Slocomb, Jr., Mrs. Don Slocomb, S. M. Burns, Mrs. J. B. White, Jesse Coward, Mrs. Wilson Gunn, Wilson Gunn, Chas. Roy Law, Roy Law, Mrs. Roy Law, Sam Bill Law, Miss Ludie Law, Jesse Brock, James Brock, Alice Fanning, Wm. Henderson, Mrs. M. C. Sapp, Imogene Sapp, M. C. Sapp, Mrs. J. H. Garrett, J. H. Garrett, Miss Bess Dubois, Mrs. J. H. Dubois, J. H. Dubois, Miss Clara Thomas, Mrs. Geo. Thomas, J. E. Collins, Earl Burke, Mrs. Earl Burke, Dr. J. L. Denson, Mrs. J. L. Denson, J. C. Martin, Mrs. J. C. Martin, Mrs. Jesse Brock, J. S. Perry, Ray Burke, W. H. Henley, Mrs. W. H. Henley, Mrs. John Brock, Preston Graves, Mrs. Preston Graves, Preston Graves, Jr., Frederick Graves,

L. C. Hackebell, Mrs. L. C. Hackebell, Mrs. John Dobbins, Ed. F. Adams, Mrs. Ed. F. Adams, Miss Tabbie Robinson, Mrs. John Mangum, John Mangum, John Mangum, Jr., Bess Mangum, J. R. Hays, Mrs. J. R. Hays, Mrs. Kirby Bales, Mrs. C. W. Bradbury, Mr. C. W. Bradbury, Frank Kolba, Mrs. F. F. Reid, F. F. Reid, John S. Burns, Mrs. S. M. Burns, Jr., Mrs. S. M. Burns, Sr., Miss Kittie Smith, Miss Alice McGehee, Joe Denson, Mrs. Laura Williamson, Mrs. J. E. Collins, Mrs. Clarissa Collier, Mrs. Harvey Dobbins, Harvey Dobbins, M. L. Pardo, Mrs. W. E. Dobbins, W. E. Dobbins, Mrs. J. J. Andrews, J. J. Andrews, Mrs. Wm. Henderson, T. I. Vaughn, Mrs. T. I. Vaughn, Mrs. Mattie J. Shepherd, J. W. Radtke, Mrs. J. W. Radtke, Harvey Radtke, Rosa Radtke, Mae Radtke, Mrs. Wm. E. Kuehl, Wm. E. Kuehl, Mrs. T. A. Casey, Ray Casey, Miss Georgia Casey, Glenn Flinn, Mrs. Joe Denson, Miss Lilly Mag Jeter, Mrs. Geo. Mangum, Miss Grace Mangum, Mrs. Alice Thompson, Henderson Thompson, Joe Lloyd Mitchell, Lloyd Mitchell, Mrs. Lloyd Mitchell, Mrs. Geo. McGehee, Charles McGehee, Mrs. D. B. Gunn, D. B. Gunn, Cornelia Gunn, Clifton Jenness, Mrs. Clifton Jenness, Mrs. R. A. Triggs, Louise Denson, Miss Ada Henderson, Miss Winnie Henderson, S. J. Denson, Bertha S. Brewer, Mrs. E. A. Flinn, Eber Flinn, Harriet Flinn, Mrs. I. Inman, Mrs. Laura Cone, Ernest Collins, Jr., Mrs. E. M. Casey, Mrs. Joe Middleton, Bethel Middleton, Nannie Caperton, Philip Reid, Gus Evans, Jr., Mrs. H. E. Graham, Robert Hensley, John Evans, Inez Evans, Mary Frances Blaylock, Miss Gladys Blaylock, Mary Jewell Fanning, Elizabeth Fanning, Ray Fanning, Wm. Fanning, Myra Lee Fanning, Mrs. Wm. Fanning, Dorothy Davis, Mrs. Luther Davis, Clifton Davis, Helen and Dorothy Blaylock, Mrs. L. L. Blaylock, Miss Nadine Bragg, J. S. Bragg, Earl Bragg, Ethel Vaughn, Morine Vaughn, Mrs. Will Vaughn, Mrs. J. E. Bell, Emmitt, Bell, Mrs. Bertha Clenney, Don Barrett, Mrs. Henry Cook, Miss Josephine Bell, Waymon Jenness, Mrs. Ray Jenness, Mary Randolph, Ruby Schiller, Lois Randolph, Mrs. T. L. Randolph, Lily

Kate Beckerman, Mrs. F. J. Beckerman, F. J. Beckerman, Miss Helen Flinn, Helen Ryan, Arnette Ryan, Jno. Ryan, Mrs. Jno. Ryan, Robert Ryan, Ryan, R. E. Vaughn, Kirby Bales, Mrs. A. J. Lewis, J. A. Smith, Jr., Mrs. J. A. Smith, Miss Edna Sprinkel, Mrs. Chas. Sprott, Jno. Henderson, Verna King, Mrs. E. W. Phillips, F. B. Cable, Mrs. Tom Henderson, Thad Bailey, Mrs. F. B. Bailey, Mary D. Bailey, W. V. Fancher, Mrs. W. V. Fancher, Roy Fancher, Durwood Hause, Frances Hause, Jno. T. Hause, Mrs. Jno. T. Hause, Mrs. W. L. Luther, Mrs. W. G. Allen, W. G. Allen, Mrs. T. A. Howell, Dr. Tom Denson, Mrs. M. W. Price, Myrtle Compion, Wright Price and Mrs. Wright Price.

REMEMBER THE ORPHANS

When you are planning Christmas gifts for your children and friends, remember that at Backner Orphans Home there are between six and seven hundred children who do not have either mother or father to get presents for them. They are looking to the Baptists of Texas to send them a Christmas gift.

This is the only part of our denominational work that is not in the budget, and it is the request of the managers of the Home that it not be put in the budget, but let the people out of their hearts of love care for these orphans. It has been a custom for many years to remember the orphans at Christmas time.

You may bring a free will offering next Sunday if you wish, and put it in and it will be sent to them. Let every one who is grateful for the Father's blessings, and who care for the helpless orphans bring an offering for them. If you are blessed with a home, food and clothing, then in turn be a blessing to others, and help shelter the orphans.

The money sent in will not at all be used for Christmas gifts alone, but this is the one time of the year that the home makes it's appeal to the Baptists of Texas. What we are to do for them for twelve months is to be done now.

This offering will be held open over two Sundays. Let the Sunday School teachers tell their classes next Sunday to bring an extra big offering the 26th which is the last Sunday of the year and the day after Christmas,

and all the Sunday School offering that day will be sent to the orphans. "In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto me," said the Savior.

NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIAN FAMILY

Family. Eph. 3:15.

Think of Christianity in terms of relationship. God the Father, Christ, the elder brother, the Holy Spirit the representative of both Elder Brother often in charge of the household, functions in absence through special representatives.

I. Family Tie

1. Inborn, 1 John 5: 1, 2.

2. Evidential.

a. Of salvation to individual, John 3:14.

b. Of discipleship to world, John 13: 35.

3. Patient with faults, 1 Thess. 5: 14; John 13: 34; 1 Cor. 13: 6, 7.

II. Family Loyalty.

1. Basis.

a. Love, Gal., 6: 10.

b. Pride, 1 Tim., 6: 2.

2. Expression.

a. Communion, Acts 4: 32-37.

b. Guarding Reputation. Rom., 16: 2; Eph., 5: 3.

III. Family Career

1. For each individual now. 1 Cor., 12: 18.

2. For each in Posterity. 2 Tim., 1: 5; 2 Tim. 2: 2.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE

On Christmas Eve, ten minutes before midnight, there will be a service in the Episcopal church to commemorate the most important event in the history of mankind. When the Son of God became also the Son of Man, when in great humility, God the Son was born in the flesh, so that He might atone for every sin of the flesh, and became the Redeemer of all human beings who by faith will accept him as their Savior.

All who believe that the Babe of Bethlehem, born of the Virgin Mary is Jesus their Lord, are invited to come and join in this service of praise, of Thanksgiving and worship, and in this befitting manner welcome the nineteen hundred and twenty-seventh birthday of the Christ Child.

The Table Sweeper Is a Suitable Present

The crumbing of a table has always seemed to me a rather awkward procedure. Even after the old-fashioned brush and tray disappeared, in favor of a smooth metal scraper that carried the crumbs briskly before it, it always seemed bothersome to me to have to make room at the edge of the table for the maid to hold her crumb tray, in order to gather the crumbs into it.

And now a better way has been found to clear a table quickly and quietly of the crumbs that have gathered there, without the use of any tray at all, or of elbowing one's guests sideways while the crumbing goes on.

For Rent—6 room house at 512 Eleventh street with bath and sink in kitchen. See J. F. Brown or phone 258. tf

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AUTOMOBILE LICENSES

Dan Collins, Buick Coupe, Cameron.

Mrs. Lena Archer, Essex Coach, Cameron.

Van Harris, Buick Coupe, San Antonio.

F. C. Thompson, Chevrolet Coach, Cameron.

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Francis McFadden to Coffield and Hale, 44 1-2 acres out of D. A. Thompson grant, \$250.

Cameron, Tex., Dec. 10, 1926

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please send me a pair of Roller Skates for Christmas. I will appreciate it very much.

Your friend,
Woodrow Crawford.
P. O. Box 144, Cameron, Texas.



Christmas Greeting

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Cameron, Texas

Everybody's Gift List

Here you will find plenty of gifts for everybody. Gifts for Men, Gifts for Women, Gifts for Children and Gifts for the little tots. Our assortment is especially complete, our prices reasonable and our service is designed to serve you in a satisfactory manner.

DELIGHTFUL GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Included in this list of Gift items are many little things, so acceptable, yet so often overlooked.

Razors	Xmas Cards
Brushes and Brush Sets	Toilet Cases
Flashlights	Kodaks
Ladies Hand Bags	Perfumes
Bill Folds	Pipes
Stationery	Cigars
Thermos Bottles	Toilet Sets
Foot Balls	Silverware
Basket Balls	Candies
Compacts	

These gifts appeal to the finer instincts—Gifts that everyone likes better than any other gift that you can give.

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